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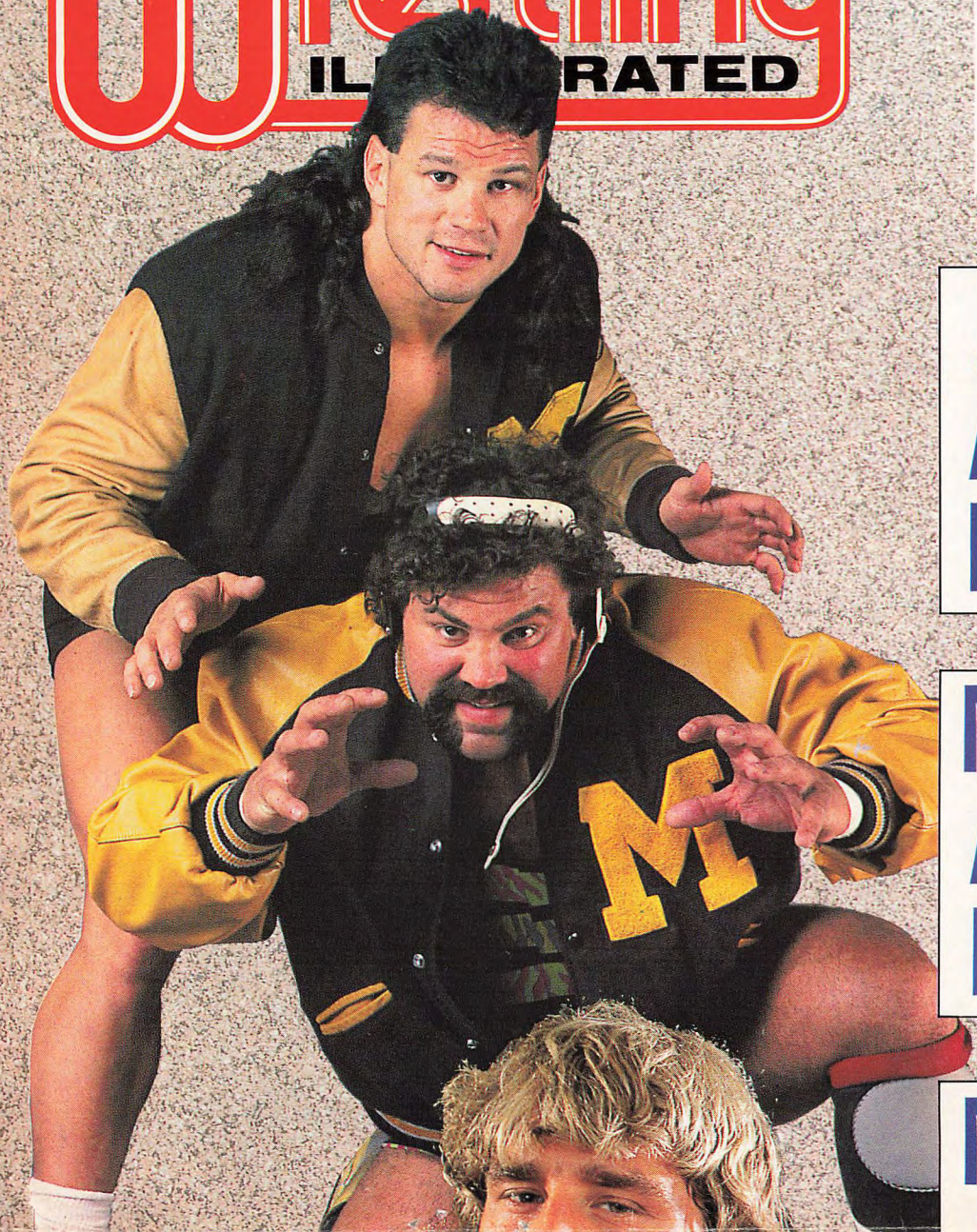

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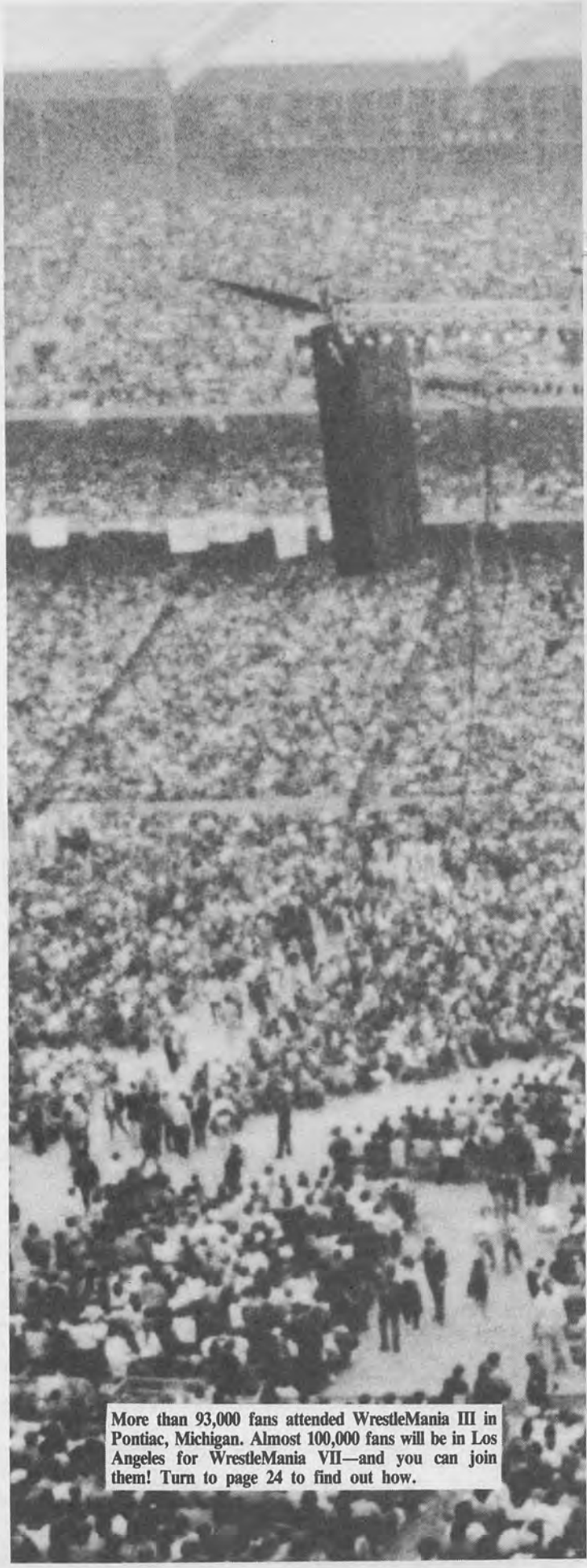

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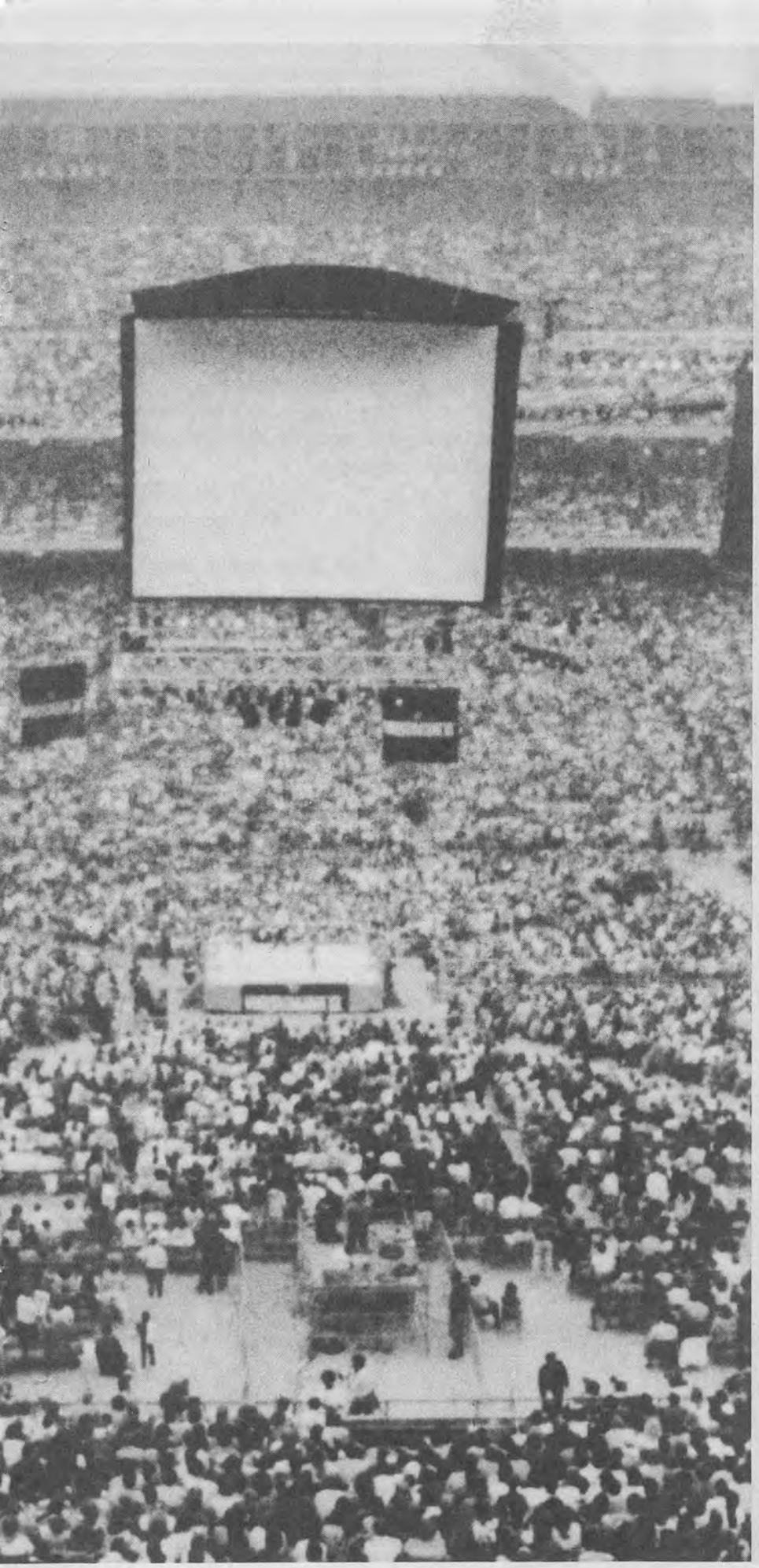

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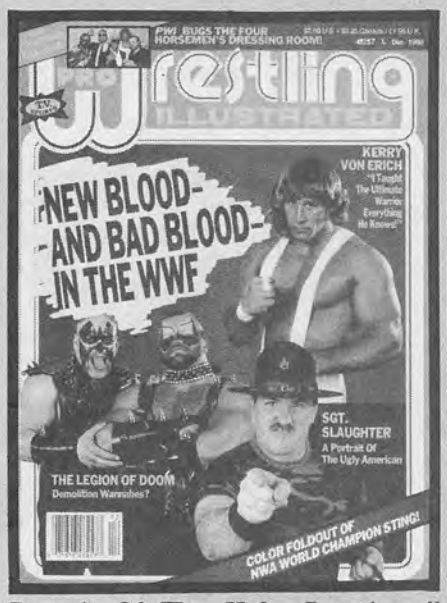
SCRUTINIZING SLAUGHTER

We had a wide range of response to our December 1990 cover, "New Blood—And Bad Blood—In The WWF," much of which centered on "Sgt. Slaughter: A



Portrait Of The Ugly American." Some fans felt that ***PWI*** *was too hard on Slaughter, considering his illustrious past.*

"Slaughter singlehandedly saved American wrestling from foreign evil," wrote one reader. "He knows firsthand how untrustworthy foreigners—especially Russians—can be. He's right when he warns that we must never let our guard down."

Others agreed with our plea that Slaughter stop battling for an outdated cause.

"It's time he joined the rest of America in accepting the people of the Soviet Union as our friends," chided one correspondent.

A QUESTION OF ETHICS

I believe this is the first time your magazine has ever disappointed me. To think that the world's greatest wrestling publication would stoop so low as to bug a private conversation ("*PWI* Bugs The Four Horsemen's Dressing Room," December 1990) is appalling!

Would you approve of a district attorney secretly recording a conversation between a lawyer and a client and then justifying himself by saying he had done it for the good of the public?

The Dudes are big boys and should be able to take care of themselves. As for the Horsemen, they have a right to privacy. Who are you to infringe upon their rights?

LEXI MORNINGSTAR
St. Catharines, Ontario

You guys really went too far when you bugged The Four Horsemen's dressing room. Don't you have any morals? How would Eddie Ellner or Stu Saks like it if someone recorded their private conversations?

This is America we live in. Doesn't anybody care about people's rights anymore? I do, but apparently you people at *PWI* don't.

ALICE JENSEN
Norfolk, VA

It was plain wrong for *PWI* to bug The Four Horsemen's dressing room, in the opinion of readers Lexi Morningstar and Alice Jensen.

ROADIE REFLECTIONS

Stu Saks, were you out of your mind when you said Hawk and Animal wanted to be like Demolition ("The Legion Of Doom: Demolition Wannabes?" December 1990)? It's the other way around: Demolition are Road Warrior imposters!

I think that Hawk and Animal have lost their killer instinct. I remember when they almost took Dusty Rhodes' eye out and when they almost broke Sting's neck.

I wish they'd go back to rulebreaking!

TYRONE PARANIHI
Sydney, Australia

Animal and Hawk have lost their killer instinct, says reader Tyrone Paranihi. In The Legion of Doom's defense, reader Pete Jackson calls them the greatest tag team in history.

Ax and Smash are flabby. The Legion of Doom has accomplished more than Demolition ever will. Demolition *was* able to win three WWF tag team titles, but that's nothing compared to the LOD's resume. Hawk and Animal have won the NWA World, AWA World, and All-Japan International tag team titles. They won the 1986 Crockett Cup, and were part of two NWA six-man tag team titles.

Oh, and in case you forgot, they've won four—count 'em, four!—*PWI* Tag Team of the Year awards.

Hawk and Animal are the greatest tag team in wrestling history. They snack on danger and will dine on all three members of Demolition.

PETE JACKSON
Des Moines, IA

TWO MEN, TWO TITLES

I was outraged to read that AWA World champion Larry Zbyszko wants a title-unification match with NWA champion Sting ("Wrestling Enquirer," December 1990). Past attempts at title unifications between major federations have resulted in chaos and sometimes even the destruction of a federation.

The World Class area is the best example of this. When Jerry Lawler was AWA World champion in 1988, he and Kerry Von Erich had an AWA/World Class title match. Lawler won and tried to unify the two titles. The result of Lawler's outright greed and the ensuing chaos was the AWA losing valuable prestige and World Class being taken over and changed to the USWA.

AWA World champion Larry Zbyszko will ruin the NWA if he receives a title-unification match against NWA World titlist Sting, in reader Robert Coleman's view.

I am pleading with Jim Herd and other NWA officials not to give Zbyszko the match. If you do, Zbyszko will ruin the NWA like Lawler ruined World Class.

ROBERT COLEMAN
Bloomfield, IN

SCORPION UNMASKED?

I can't understand why nobody seems to have a clue as to who The Black Scorpion is. It's obvious!

Everybody who has followed the careers of Sting and The Ultimate Warrior knows that they come from a group called Powerteam U.S.A. That quartet also included Mark Miller and Garland Donoho.

In 1986 this group split up and broke into wrestling in pairs. Miller and Donoho never made it. They left the sport two years later.

Now they are back as The Black Scorpion! They are jealous of Sting

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RINGSIDE

With Bill Apter

AFTER NOT HAVING a champion for more than a month, the USWA has a "King" again! **Jerry Lawler** captured the vacant USWA title by defeating **Austin Idol** in the final round of a 21-wrestler tournament on October 8 in Memphis.

The tournament was scheduled when **The Snowman** was stripped of the belt on August 27 after he was injured and could not defend the title within a 30-day period. Snowman had defeated Lawler for the title on June 18 in Memphis.

Lawler became the number-one seed in the tournament by winning a round-robin event on October 1 in Memphis. The seeding resulted in Lawler receiving a bye through the first round. He defeated massive **Mark Callous** by disqualification in the second round and pinned **Dick Slater** in the third round. Lawler beat **Terry Funk** by disqualification in the semifinal, but after the match he was piledrived by Funk and **Eddie Gilbert**.

Things were about to get worse for Lawler, as Idol, with whom Lawler had been on friendly terms, turned against Lawler before the start of the final match. Idol, who had wrestled cleanly throughout the tournament, announced before the final bout that he would allow Lawler time to rest before the match got underway. After Lawler (who was still woozy from the double-piledriver) refused the offer, Idol sucker-punched him.

During the wild bout, referee **Jerry Calhoun** was knocked out, and Funk and Gilbert ran to the ring. Idol held Lawler for a double-clothesline, but Lawler ducked, and the rulebreakers accidentally smashed Idol. Lawler quickly covered Idol for the winning pin.

Jerry "The King" Lawler is the USWA champion again after winning a 21-man tournament in Memphis. His toughest bout in the tourney was the semifinal win over Terry Funk.

Although Lawler was declared the champion, the action didn't end there. Idol, Funk, and Gilbert triple-teamed Lawler, hit him with a barrage of punches and kicks, and piledrived him several times. **Jeff Jarrett** ran to the ring and attempted to save Lawler, but also was piledrived. After battering Jarrett, the rulebreakers finally left the ring.

"Typically, Idol couldn't come to grips with his defeat like a man," said a happy but bruised Lawler. "He and his cronies did their best to take

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Stuart M. Saks

"I am not far from the thinking that in irresolution lies the secret of not growing old."
—Andre Gide, *The Counterfeiters*

Paul Jones' personal philosophy is not far from that. Turns out, in fact, that Andre Gide, the French writer and moralist, is one of Paul Jones' heroes.

"He's a very wise man," said Jones, who has more often been described by his detractors as a wise *guy*. "His message here is that if you don't allow yourself to *think* you're old, then you won't *get* old."

Of course, everyone gets old. Jones has 45 years behind him, but he's not overly concerned with those years right now. He'd much prefer to think about the present, and how sweet it has recently become.

On September 29, Jones, a man who hadn't wrestled regularly since 1985, defeated Robert Fuller for South Atlantic Pro Wrestling championship. And in doing so, he may have vaulted ahead of Nolan Ryan and George Foreman as the sports world's leading "old man in a young man's world."

In the late 1960s and early 1970s, Paul Jones was one of the most talented wrestlers in the Southeast. But he is best known to today's fans as a manager. How good a manager? Well, as a manager in the '80s, Paul Jones was . . . well . . . in the late 1960s and early 1970s, Paul Jones was one of the most talented wrestlers in the Southeast.

"I was the most underrated manager in the NWA," Jones complains. "Not to take anything away from Jim Cornette and J.J. Dillon, but these guys were more at home in front of a microphone than they were at ringside. They talked a good game, but they didn't know half of what I did about this sport. They were good motivators, but they couldn't teach a wrestler anything."

Unlike his NWA peers, who were granted grudging respect by the fans, Jones rarely received any recognition for what he accomplished with his stable of wrestlers, which, over the years, included NWA tag team champions Rick Rude and Manny Fernandez, Warlord and Barbarian, Superstar Graham, The Russian Assassins, and Pez Whatley. Jones was never voted Manager of the Year by the readers of this magazine. "Never even a runner-up," said Jones, who obviously keeps track of such things.

Jones was viewed by the fans and media as a manager who looked out for himself first and his wrestlers second. He resented and despised that image, but he learned to live with it because he had no choice. Right now, he can even laugh at it.

"Nobody can knock me for looking out for myself now," he said. "I'm a champion. A *champion*."

Jones repeated it as if even *he* couldn't believe it. I know I didn't believe it when I heard that Jones had defeated 6'5", 257-pound Robert Fuller, one of the sport's most underrated stars. The first thing I did upon hearing the news

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WIN LOSE OR DRAW

BY ANDY RODRIGUEZ

IF EVERY wrestling federation decided tomorrow that every match must be decided by pinfall or submission, imagine what the reaction among the wrestlers would be.

They'd be overjoyed!

"More important than winning, I think, is winning without a doubt," says Eric Embry, a man who has adhered to the rulebook sporadically over the years. "You don't want anyone saying you got a tainted win. There's no quicker way to ruin your reputation in this business."

"When you win by countout, you don't get the same satisfaction," Mike Rotundo relates. "It's like a tie in football."

"I want to pin a man's shoulders to the mat," says Scott Steiner. "I don't want to win 'cause he got the ref ticked off."

In an informal poll, more than 70 percent of all wrestlers were in favor of eliminating victories by countout or disqualification. In fact, a surprising amount of those said they'd prefer to *lose* than win by countout or disqualification!

"If I win by countout," Southern Boy Steve Armstrong says, "people say all I did was beat my opponent back into the ring, so what's the big deal? And winning by disqualification is a sort of empty feeling, because you don't really feel like you beat the man. At least when I lose, something decisive happens. Not good, but decisive."

Naturally, many wrestlers shared the fans' disgust with the way former NWA World champion Ric Flair repeatedly got himself disqualified to retain the belt.

"Because you can't lose the title on a DQ, Flair hid behind the DQs," says Rotundo. "Imagine if he couldn't have done that. Imagine Flair being forced to win every title match by his own skills, instead of by trickery. It would have changed the face of wrestling history, and it would have shown us just how good Flair *really* is."

When Chris Adams won the World Class title from Rick Rude, he did it by pinfall, not because Rude had been disqualified.

For several years in the World Class area, champions hiding behind the DQ rule was no problem, as titles could change hands via disqualification. Chris Adams, who defeated Rick Rude for the World Class belt in 1986, won the title via pinfall, but recalls how everyone thought Percy Pringle, Rude's manager at the time, would interfere and cause Rude to lose the belt.

"There was a lot of tension between Rude and Pringle that wouldn't have been there normally," Adams says. "Percy loves to interfere in his men's matches. He has a lot of trouble restraining himself. I can remember several occasions when Percy nearly cost Rude the belt. In fact, when I beat Rude, Percy attempted to hit me with his cane, but he missed and hit Rude instead. I could have won the belt right then and there by disqualification, but I covered Rude for the pin."

Nevertheless, Adams says he'd prefer not having titles change hands on a disqualification, or even a countout.

"I know it's a problem when you have men like Pringle getting involved," Adams maintains, "but it should be the challenger's responsibility to put someone in his corner to

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INSIGHTS

WITH CRAIG PETERS

NOT-SO-VICIOUS VICIOUS

Sid Vicious is going after Lex Luger's U.S. heavyweight title. Sid Vicious is gong after Sting's NWA World title.

Sid Vicious won't get past square one.

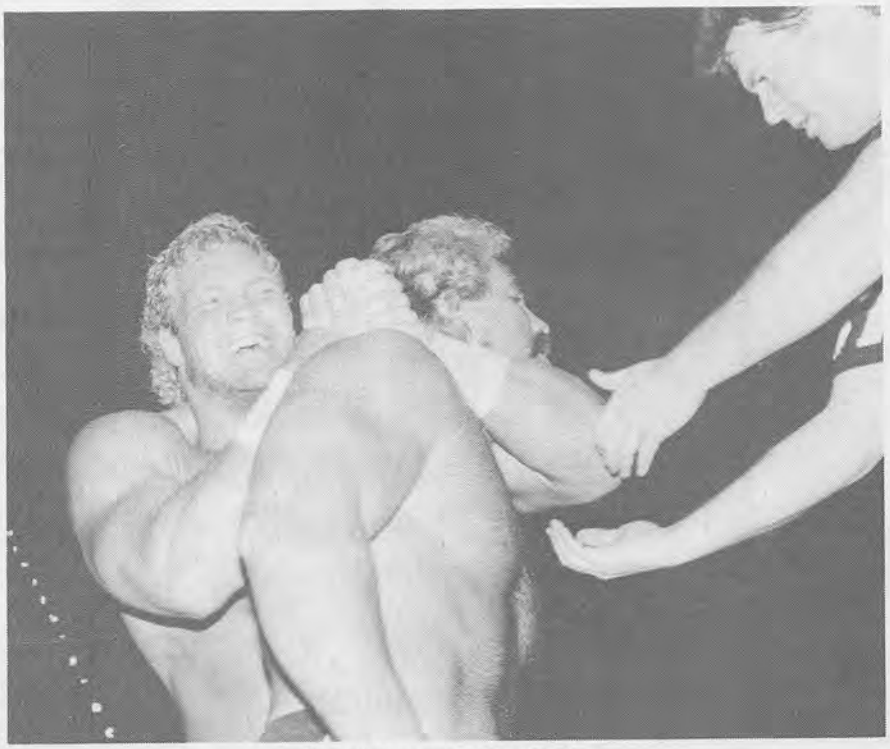
Why? I think the answer lies deep within the soul of the youngest Horseman, and it concerns something that I don't think I've heard *anyone* say yet about the 6'8" powerhouse.

Rulebreaking just isn't in him.

Yes, he has an impressive—some say downright sadistic—power attack. Yes, he is surrounded by the craftiest crew of rulebreaking slime ever to step through the ring ropes. And, yes, he seems to derive pleasure in hearing the very bones of his opponents snap like brittle twigs.

I don't believe it for a second.

Vicious talks a good game, but take a close look at his matches. A very close look. I don't know what you see, but I see a man whose bite is far less toothier than his bark. Vicious not only fails to make good on his promises, he falls far shorter than he should for a man of his physical gifts.



Sid Vicious vs. Scott Hall

I suspect it's because Vicious is getting tired of taking direction from the Horsemen, that he's beginning to see that Sting and Luger and the Steiners are enjoying championship success—hard-earned and well-earned championship success—while he is walking around with nothing around his waist but a space that ought to be filled by a gold belt.

Keep an eye on Vicious over the next few months. I think he'll soon begin to realize his heart's not in rulebreaking, too.

DUSTIN'S TRACK RECORD

As WWF fans start concentrating on the feud between Dustin and Dusty Rhodes and Ted DiBiase and Virgil, everybody seems to want to know more about the 24-year-old son of the "American Dream."

If you saw Dustin take Ted DiBiase to a 10-minute draw recently, you already know that he has a formidable amount of wrestling talent.

Dustin made his pro debut on September 13, 1988, in Tampa, Florida, and beat rugged veteran "Bad" Bob Cook in about 12 minutes with a small package. For most of the two years that followed, Dustin split his time between wrestling intermittently in Florida (and, in the past few months, in the WWF) and training with his father near Austin, Texas.

But I think the most interesting bit of information about the father-son combo can be gleaned from two quotes from the "Introducing Dustin Rhodes" feature in the January 1989 edition of *The Wrestler*, our sister publication:

Dustin Rhodes: "I'd like to be in a tag team with my father. I know a lot of guys want to win titles or make a lot of money, but my eventual goal is a little different. I just want to be able to stand with my hand raised in victory, with my favorite wrestler by my side."

Dusty Rhodes: "I don't want Dustin to make the same mistakes I did. Just 'cause his daddy took his share of lumps comin' up don't mean Dustin's gotta suffer. This time, we're doin' it smart."

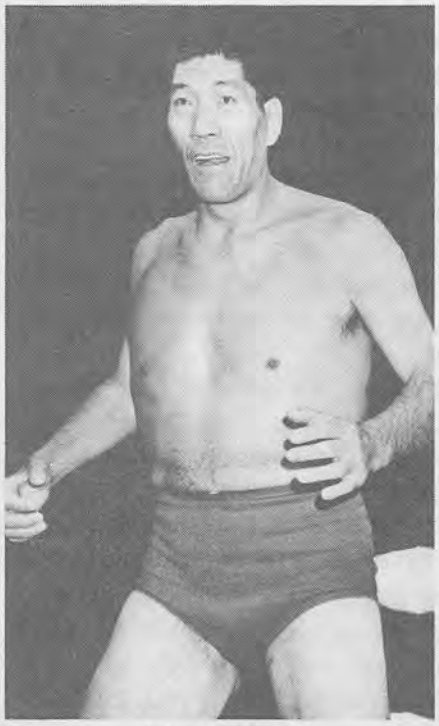
HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: BABA & INOKI

On September 30, 1960, Shohei "Giant" Baba and Antonio Inoki made their pro debuts. Baba beat his first opponent, Tonetaro Tanaka, while Inoki lost his first bout to Kintaro Oki.

On September 30, 1990, both men were honored with major cards in Japan commemorating the 30th anniversaries of their respective debuts. Ironically, the winning and losing ways of the debuts were reversed three decades later: Baba teamed with Abdullah the Butcher and lost to Stan Hansen and Andre the Giant (Andre pinned Abdullah), while Inoki teamed with Tiger Jeet Singh to defeat Animal Hamaguchi and Big Van Vader (Inoki pinned Hamaguchi).

Inoki's event in Yokohama was also notable for a bout between The Great Muta and Rick Steamboat, billed as "Japanese Ninja vs. American Dragon." Muta won the match—a thrilling display of martial arts mayhem—by pinning Steamboat following a moonsault.

Baba's match in Tokyo was notable in that afterward, Baba and Andre shook hands and wrestled as a tag team for the week after the anniversary card. □



Giant Baba

Antonio Inoki

the steel cage

By Bob Smith

Cactus Jack (slamming David Sammartino) has the potential to become a great wrestler, writes Bob Smith, but he gets more bizarre by the day.

Two infamous brawlers have returned to the sport, fans, so beware:

JACK'S BACK! Believe it or not, I recently was beginning to worry about crazed Cactus Jack, one of the wildest competitors anywhere. I first met Jack in a New Haven, Connecticut, locker room back in 1988, and at first I thought he was a pretty nice guy. He seemed young and eager to make a name for himself, and he actually was polite and soft-spoken.

Then I saw him wrestle later that night. He proceeded to use every savage tactic ever invented to nearly dismember The Cheetah Kid. During 1989, Jack turned up in the World Class area, and he got even more sadistic, both in and out of the ring. Then he went on to the NWA, where he formed a brutal tag team with Kevin Sullivan early in 1990.

Right when Cactus and Sullivan seemed on the verge of doing big things in the NWA, both of them disappeared. Sullivan was forced out of action with a hand injury, and Jack vanished altogether. Where would a guy like that go? Could you imagine him leaving the sport and trying to enter the everyday work force? Imagine Cactus Jack as a short-order cook. Or, worse yet, as a cab driver or hospital worker. *Ugh!*

Thankfully, my fears have been alleviated. Jack spent a couple of months in independent federations before returning to the national scene as part of the new Universal Wrestling Federation, which can be seen weekly on the SportsChannel America cable network. It didn't take long for Jack to reestablish himself as a maniac, either. In a bout against David Sammartino, Jack used his flying clothesline over the top rope to nearly decapitate the second-generation star.

The amazing thing about that move is that it does nearly as much damage to Jack as it does to his opponent! Why would he keep using a maneuver that could very possibly cripple himself?

"Feels good to me!" bellowed Jack following a recent card in California. "I smash guys so hard with the clothesline that I just propel myself right over the top rope, too. Then, when the guy is lying outside the ring, WHAM! I smash him with my flying elbow from the apron. *Hahaha!* Nobody can beat me when I use both moves in combination."

You would figure that by now Jack would have some

kind of a goal for his career, like winning a championship belt. Guess again.

"I just wanna put people in the hospital," said Jack, grinning a toothless grin. "Titles are for weenies. Anybody can win a belt, but I wanna set a record for putting guys in traction. Then I'll know I'm a real success. Man, *that* would be great!"

Personally, I detest what Jack does in the ring, but I still respect his raw ability. I think that underneath that crazed exterior lies a potentially great wrestler, but he gets more bizarre every day.

And speaking of bizarre . . .

ARROGANT EMBRY. Last year, Eric Embry won the 1989 *PWI* "Inspirational Wrestler of the Year" award, and it couldn't have gone to a more deserving person. For most of that year, Embry fought nearly singlehandedly against the forces of Gen. Skandor Akbar and Tojo Yamamoto, who were trying to take over the World Class area any way they could.

Hurricane Castillo Jr. One week later, Embry showed he could be just as vile in front of same people he used to call "my family" as he bloodied and defeated popular Billy Travis at a Texas Wrestling Federation card in Dallas.

Surprisingly, Embry shows no remorse whatsoever since his return to rulebreaking, the style he's employed for most of his career.

"As long as I'm winning matches and titles, I'm happy," said a downright surly Embry after the Metroplex card. "These Texas fans have short memories, don't they? After all I did for them in 1989, these people boo me now like I'm garbage. Well, I don't care. I'm back in fighting shape now, and I'm going to be a real force in this sport again. I don't care who I have to beat or what tactics I have to use, either. Just remember—Embry will be number one in '91."

"I don't know *who* to root for anymore," said Pearl Winstead, a regular at most Dallas wrestling cards. "First

Eric Embry once fought on behalf of all World Class fans, but with men like Percy Pringle at his side, Embry has turned back to rulebreaking and deeply saddened his loyal followers.

Embry fought against men like P.Y. Chu-Hi, Gary Young, and even Cactus Jack, and came up a winner every time. He soared high into the Most Popular ratings, and fan clubs were formed in his honor. It looked as if the sport had found a new hero.

As it turned out, Embry's actions were just a convenient way to keep his name in the public eye. After laying low for almost a year, Embry is wrestling full-time again, but he bears little resemblance to the man the fans used to admire. Instead, Embry has turned into a complete monster.

Want proof? On September 23 in Juana Diaz, Puerto Rico, Embry teamed with brutal Rick Valentine to win the WWC Caribbean title from Miguel Perez Jr. and

Kerry Von Erich left the area, and I was heartbroken. I rushed to the Metroplex when I found out that Embry was back home, but he's turned his back on all of us now. I'm so frustrated, I really feel like crying."

There are still people that Winstead can support. After all, honorable men like Kevin Von Erich, Chris Adams, and Travis remain. However, losing Embry not only hurts Texas, but the entire sport. There have been few men with the bravery and stamina of Embry that have fought for the fans to the very last drop of their blood.

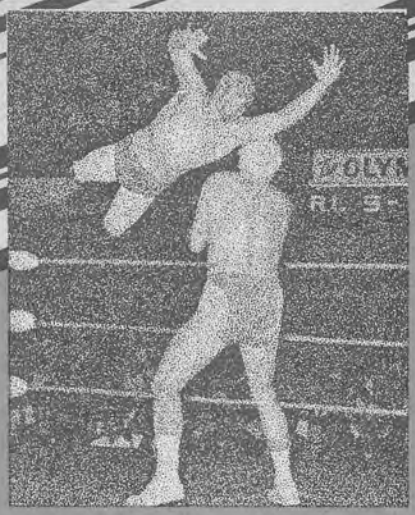
But that was yesterday.

Now, Eric is nothing more than a common thug, and a sickeningly low-class one to boot.

Every day, it gets harder to be a wrestling fan. □

BY EDDIE ELLNER

off the Top Rope



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NOTHING REFLECTS UPON the modern madness of pro wrestling as profoundly as the recent brouhaha involving Brother Love, Jake Roberts, Rick Martel, and Big Bossman. That their encounter reached its dramatic climax as naturally as a sunset and no one happened to say "Hey, this is the stupidest thing I ever saw in my life!" indicates to me that wrestling has turned a corner and left a point to which it will never return.

In a nutshell (was there ever a more intended pun?), this is what happened: Brother Love is interviewing formerly credible pro wrestler Jake Roberts. Love is overwhelmed by the stench wafting from the interior of Damian the snake's bag. Not to worry; "Model" Rick Martel, in a double-breasted suit and sunglasses, neutralizes the stink with vigorous sprays of air freshener. (Presumably, this is the same Rick Martel who used to pay regular visits to his parents' Quebec home to escape the clamor of being AWA champion. "I'm just a regular guy who works hard and caught a few breaks," he once told Bill Apter.)

Cut to the chase: Martel accidentally on purpose sprays the noxious deodorizer in Jake's face, sending him into paroxysms of pain and discomfort. Big Bossman, the former prison guard, comes to Jake's rescue and for his efforts gets a kick in the head from Roberts, who writhes on the ground in a blind fury. Martel and Love exit stage left while a dozen wrestlers comfort Roberts as they wait for an ambulance.

Just another day in the wacky world of pro wrestling: not much wrestling, but lots of whack.

I begin the mailbag with a chicken-scrawled entry from Travis Cloudy, of indeterminate age, whose letter offers a simpleminded but comforting throw-

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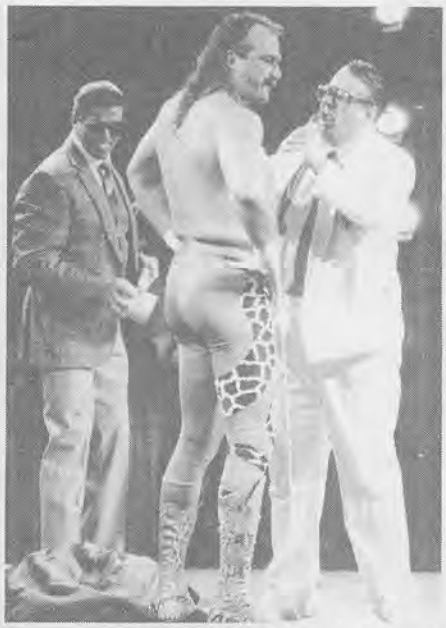

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JERRY LAWLER
(3) 234, Memphis, TN

1—**AUSTIN IDOL**
(-) 240, Las Vegas, NV
2—**EDDIE GILBERT**
(4) 222, Lexington, TN
3—**TERRY FUNK**
(-) 247, Amarillo, TX
4—**JEFF JARRETT**
(-) 200, Hendersonville, TN
5—**DICK MURDOCH**
(-) 280, Waxahachie, TX
6—**DICK SLATER**
(-) 235, Tampa, FL
7—**JEFF GAYLORD**
(-) 280, St. Louis, MO
8—**JOHN TATUM**
(2) 236, Hollywood, CA
9—**TONY ANTHONY**
(6) 235, Bucksnort, TN
10—**MARK CALLOUS**
(-) 320, Dallas, TX

OFFICIAL RATINGS

Top 10 and Tag Team ratings are based on won-lost records for the past month, quality of opposition, and inherent skill of each wrestler or team. These ratings are compiled by the magazine's editorial board. Most Popular and Most Hated ratings are based on nationwide telephone and arena surveys of wrestling fans and on the volume and character of mail that comes to our offices. All other ratings are based on the official current positions of challengers to the top title in each category; certain titleholders receive an automatic spot in the ratings. The number in parentheses indicates a wrestler's position in that category last issue; (-) indicates that the wrestler was not rated in that category last issue, while (C) indicates the wrestler was champion in that category last issue.

MOST POPULAR

1 HULK HOGAN
302, Venice Beach, CA
Last Issue: No. 1 Most Popular

2 STING
260, Venice Beach, CA
Last Issue: No. 2 Most Popular

3 LEX LUGER
268, Chicago, IL
Last Issue: No. 4 Most Popular

4 THE ULTIMATE WARRIOR
280, Queens, NY
Last Issue: No. 3 Most Popular

5 KERRY VON ERICH
260, Denton, TX
Last Issue: No. 5 Most Popular

6 SCOTT STEINER
235, Bay City, MI
Last Issue: No. 9 Most Popular

7 TUGBOAT
407, Pittsburgh, PA
Last Issue: No. 8 Most Popular

8 BIG BOSSMAN
312, Cobb County, GA
Last Issue: No. 6 Most Popular

9 JERRY LAWLER
234, Memphis, TN
Last Issue: No. 7 Most Popular

10 JAKE ROBERTS
246, Stone Mountain, GA
Last Issue: unrated

MOST HATED

1 SID VICIOUS
318, West Memphis, AR
Last Issue: No. 1 Most Hated

2 EARTHQUAKE
462, Montreal, Quebec
Last Issue: No. 2 Most Hated

3 TED DiBIASE
247, Omaha, NB
Last Issue: unrated

4 BLACK SCORPION
???, parts unknown
Last Issue: unrated

5 STAN HANSEN
322, Borger, TX
Last Issue: No. 7 Most Hated

6 EDDIE GILBERT
222, Lexington, TN
Last Issue: No. 6 Most Hated

7 RIC FLAIR
243, Minneapolis, MN
Last Issue: No. 3 Most Hated

8 SGT. SLAUGHTER
310, Parris Island, SC
Last Issue: unrated

9 STEVE AUSTIN
241, Dallas, TX
Last Issue: No. 8 Most Hated

10 THE GRAPPLER
280, parts unknown
Last Issue: unrated

For period ended October 12, 1990

CUMULATIVE RATINGS

These ratings are based on the past 10 issues of this magazine. We have examined our ratings for each of those issues—in our Top 10 and Tag Team categories only—and assigned each position a point value: 10 points for a number-one rating, nine for a number-two ranking, and so on down to one point for a number-10 rating. The point values for all wrestlers in the past 10 issues have been compiled, allowing a maximum of 100 points. Each issue we'll present the top five finishers in each category. While our regular ratings reflect the past month, these cumulative ratings give an indication of wider trends in the sport.

SINGLES

1—ULTIMATE WARRIOR ..... 90 points
2—RIC FLAIR ..... 76 points
3—LEX LUGER ..... 75 points
4—CURT HENNIG ..... 56 points
5—HULK HOGAN ..... 52 points

TAG TEAMS

1—RICK & SCOTT STEINER ..... 86 points
2—DEMOLITION ..... 75 points
3—DOOM ..... 67 points
4—THE HART FOUNDATION ..... 52 points
5—MID. EXPRESS/LEGION OF DOOM ..... 39 points

PNW

PNW Champion:
THE GRAPPLER
(C) 280, parts unknown

1—JOHN RAMBO
(2) 260, Charlotte, NC

2—SCOTTY THE BODY
(1) 235, Short Hills, NJ

3—DOUG MASTERS
(10) 230, Tulsa, OK

4—RIP OLIVER
(3) 245, Tampa, FL

5—STEVE SAWYER
(9) 222, Kansas City, MO

6—SCOTT NORTON
(5) 360, Minneapolis, MN

7—BRAD ANDERSON
(-) 220, Minneapolis, MN

8—THE EQUALIZER
(8) 250, parts unknown

9—LARRY OLIVER
(4) 235, Tampa, FL

10—BOBBY BLAIR
(6) 275, Dallas, TX

ICW

ICW Champion:
VIC STEAMBOAT
(C) 235, Honolulu, HI

1—TASMANIAN DEVIL
(4) 245, Tasmania

2—G.Q. MADISON
(5) 240, Philadelphia, PA

3—ERIC SBRACCHIA
(2) 240, Boston, MA

4—CURLY MOE
(8) 555, Mudville, OH

5—MONDO KLEEN
(1) 305, Brooklyn, NY

6—JOE SAVOLDI
(6) 220, Parsippany, NJ

7—HOSS
(-) 420, Waco, TX

8—CHRIS MICHAELS
(10) 231, New York, NY

9—BOB ORTON
(3) 245, Kansas City, KS

10—KEN PATERA
(7) 256, Portland, OR

GEORGIA: **Georgia All-Star champion**—Nick Busick; **1**—Joel Deaton; **2**—Jim Powell; **3**—Billy Black; **4**—Steve Lawler; **5**—Chris Walker; **6**—Randy Rose; **7**—Festus; **8**—Black Goliath; **9**—Mr. Wrestling; **10**—Fabian.

LPWA: **LPWA champion**—Susan Sexton; **1**—Bambi; **2**—Bad Girl; **3**—Shelly Francis; **4**—The Beast; **5**—Reggie Bennett; **6**—Misty Blue Simmes; **7**—Heidi Lee Morgan; **8**—Black Venus; **9**—Judy Martin; **10**—Lelani Kai.

PWA: **PWA champion**—Ricky Rice; **1**—Jerry Lynn; **2**—Charlie Norris; **3**—Larry Cameron; **4**—Tommy Jammer; **5**—Tim Hunt; **6**—Tommy Ferrara; **7**—Ken Patera; **8**—Randy Gust; **9**—Tino DeNucci; **10**—Lightning Kid.

PWF: **PWF champion**—Steve Keirn; **1**—Mark Starr; **2**—Ron Slinker; **3**—Dick Slater; **4**—Lou Perez; **5**—The Terminator; **6**—Jim Backlund; **7**—Sgt. Rock; **8**—Joe Gomez; **9**—Johnny Ace; **10**—Coconut Kid.

SAPW: **SAPW champion**—Paul Jones; **1**—Robert Fuller; **2**—Chris Chavis; **3**—Ranger Ross; **4**—Vince Torelli; **5**—Tex Salinger; **6**—Curtis Thompson; **7**—Trent Knight; **8**—Tommy Seabolt; **9**—Pit Bulldog Rex; **10**—Ricky Wilson.

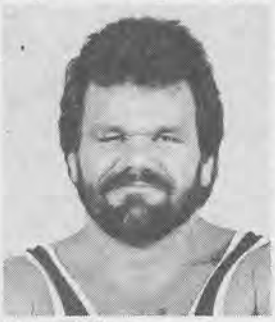
WWC: **WWC champion**—Carlos Colon; **1**—Rochester Roadblock; **2**—Kim Duk; **3**—Hurricane Castillo Jr; **4**—Invader IV; **5**—Giant Warrior; **6**—Mr. Pogo; **7**—Eric Embry; **8**—Kamala; **9**—Rick Valentine; **10**—Miguel Perez Jr.

WCCW: **WCCW champion**—none; **1**—Kevin Von Erich; **2**—John Tatum; **3**—Billy Travis; **4**—Steve Austin; **5**—Iceman Parsons; **6**—Gary Young; **7**—Skip Young; **8**—Steve Dane; **9**—California Stud; **10**—Randy Ricci.

RATINGS ANALYSIS

Every month, this column will tell fans how we go about rating over 200 wrestlers in 19 different categories. It is a behind-the-scenes look at the most important—and respected—ratings system in the sport. This column is vital reading for all wrestling fans.

Reader response: Many readers have been quick to respond to their fellow readers' comments and suggestions in past "Rating Analysis" columns.



Steve Williams

Jimmy Nance's idea of having a top 10 for the wrestlers of Japan [November 1990] has been on my mind for a long time, writes Bret R. Fuller of Mattoon, Illinois. *Is it worth an additional page? Yes, it most definitely is! If the editors don't find this prudent, then may I suggest an independent top 10? Wrestlers like* ***Stan Hansen, Steve Williams, The Great Muta,*** *and others that don't wrestle mainly in the U.S. deserve to be placed somewhere, as they are top-notch wrestlers.*

Bret, there are many federations that regularly present wrestling in the Orient, such as All-Japan Pro Wrestling, New Japan, the Universal Wrestling Federation, and six other outstanding federations. While bunching together the wrestlers of these nine federations into one independent category would hardly be accurate, we'll try to include separate ratings for Japanese federations in future editions of "Ratings Analysis." The response to Nance's suggestion has proven that there is enough interest in Japan to merit future space for such rankings.

The Great Muta

I agree with Rick Elsey, who wrote in the November issue about putting Most Popular and Most Hated tag teams in your ratings, writes Scott Elsinore of Saratoga Springs, New York. *I don't think it's worth seeing in the ratings every month, but I'd really like to see this feature implemented on occasion.*

Scott, your wish is our command! Here are the ratings for the current Most Popular tag teams. The Most Hated rankings will be printed next month. A brief analysis follows.

MOST POPULAR TAG TEAMS

1—RICK & SCOTT STEINER
2—THE LEGION OF DOOM
3—THE HART FOUNDATION
4—THE ROCKERS
5—THE ROCK 'N' ROLL EXPRESS
6—TOM ZENK & BRIAN PILLMAN
7—THE SOUTHERN BOYS
8—D.J. PETERSON & THE TROOPER
9—JEFF JARRETT & JEFF GAYLORD
10—THE BUSHWHACKERS

Analysis. Immensely talented **Rick** and **Scott Steiner** have been the most popular duo in the sport since winning the NWA World tag team title in November 1989. Although they lost the NWA World tag team to **Doom** in May, they've rebounded to become U.S. tag team champions ... **Animal** and **Hawk's** number-two ranking is impressive, considering they haven't been able to crack the top 10 ratings since entering the WWF in August, and probably won't until they move away from six-man matches ... The popularity of **Bret Hart** and **Jim Neidhart** has soared since the duo regained the WWF World title from **Demolition** at SummerSlam '90 ... **Marty Jannetty** and **Shawn Michaels** have scores of teen fans who have stayed by their favorites through Michaels' recent knee surgery ... **Robert Gibson** and **Rick Morton** have been perennial favorites since 1984 ... **Tom Zenk** and **Brian Pillman** remain remarkably admired despite their infrequent appearances ... **Steve Armstrong** and **Tracey Smothers** dazzle the fans with their high-flying tactics ... **D.J. Peterson** and **The Trooper** continue to ride high as the new AWA World tag team champions ... The ranking of **Jeff Jarrett** and **Jeff Gaylord** comes as a bit of a surprise, since Gaylord was a rulebreaker only a few months ago ... **Butch Miller** and **Luke Williams** delight fans with their comical ring entrances.

Let us know what you think! Care to comment on our Most Popular tag team ratings, or suggest some new categories of your own? The address for mail is: "Ratings Analysis," c/o *Pro Wrestling Illustrated,* Box 48, Rockville Centre, NY 11571. □

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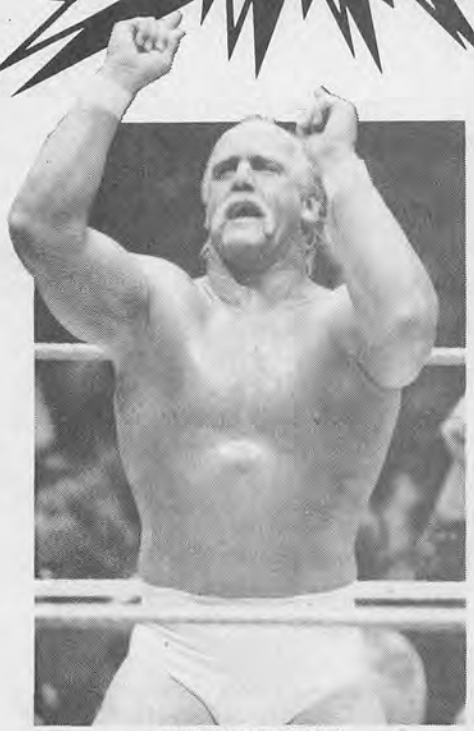

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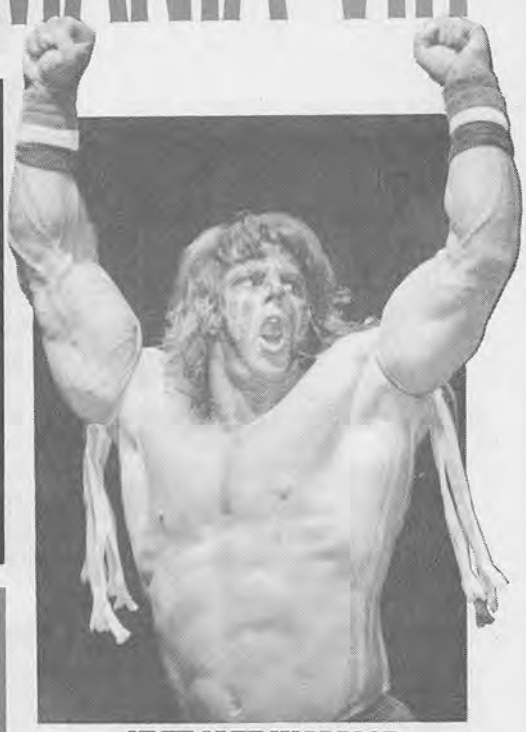

ULTIMATE WARRIOR

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WRESTLEMANIA TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. What was the announced attendance for WrestleMania VI at the SkyDome in Toronto?
A) 37,116
B) 66,778
C) 67,678
D) 55,767

2. Who was the special referee for the Andre the Giant-Jake Roberts match at WrestleMania V?
A) Muhammad Ali
B) Billy Martin
C) Dusty Rhodes
D) John Studd

3. What rock star accompanied Jake Roberts to the ring at WrestleMania III?
A) Jon Bon Jovi
B) Cyndi Lauper
C) Alice Cooper
D) Ozzy Osbourne

4. Elizabeth made a surprise appearance at WrestleMania VI aiding a tag team. What team was it?
A) Dusty Rhodes & Sapphire
B) Hacksaw Duggan & Nikolai Volkoff
C) Rick Martel & Tom Zenk
D) The Hart Foundation

5. Who got his hair cut at WrestleMania III?
A) Brutus Beefcake
B) Roddy Piper
C) Adrian Adonis
D) Andre the Giant

6. True or false—Curt Hennig made the semifinals in the WrestleMania IV World title tournament.
A) True
B) False

7. Who managed Hercules Hernandez at WrestleMania III?
A) Bobby Heenan
B) Slick
C) Jimmy Hart
D) nobody

8. Who refereed the Roddy Piper-Mr. T boxing match at WrestleMania II?
A) Joe Frazier
B) Jack Lotz
C) Lou Duva
D) Dick Kroll

9. Dory & Terry Funk teamed at WrestleMania II. Who did they defeat?
A) The British Bulldogs
B) Greg Valentine & Brutus Beefcake
C) Junkyard Dog & Tito Santana
D) The Can-Am Connection

10. What wrestler suffered a severe back injury at WrestleMania II?
A) Don Muraco
B) Dynamite Kid
C) George Steele
D) Rick Steamboat

11. Who provided color commentary with Vince McMahon during the pay-per-view and closed-circuit broadcast of WrestleMania II?
A) Elvira
B) Susan St. James
C) Clara Peller
D) Herb

12. What was the cost of the highest-priced ticket at WrestleMania I?
A) $100
B) $250
C) $50
D) $18.50

13. What was the official time of King Kong Bundy's victory over S.D. Jones at WrestleMania I?
A) 14:50
B) Nine seconds
C) 33 seconds
D) 1:46

14. True or false—WrestleMania I boasted the highest pay-per-view gross in wrestling history.
A) True
B) False

15. What talk-show host made an appearance at WrestleMania V?
A) Richard Belzer
B) Oprah Winfrey
C) Arsenio Hall
D) Morton Downey Jr.

16. The WWF "King" lost his match at WrestleMania V, but didn't lose his crown. Which "King" was it?
A) Haku
B) Harley Race
C) Hacksaw Duggan
D) Randy Savage

17. Who did Hulk Hogan wrestle in the steel cage main event at WrestleMania II?
A) Roddy Piper
B) King Kong Bundy
C) Randy Savage
D) Ted DiBiase

18. Which of the following wrestlers has *never* appeared at any WrestleMania in any capacity?
A) Matt Borne
B) George Wells
C) The Blue Blazer
D) Col. DeBeers

19. Muhammad Ali was the outside-the-ring referee for Hulk Hogan's WrestleMania I main event. Who was the inside-the-ring referee?
A) Dick Kroll
B) Gorilla Monsoon
C) Gilberto Roman
D) Pat Patterson

20. What WrestleMania VI match was *not* televised during the pay-per-view broadcast?
A) Frenchy Martin vs. Jim Brunzell
B) Koko B. Ware vs. Rick Martel
C) Paul Roma vs. Brooklyn Brawler
D) Buddy Rose vs. Jim Powers

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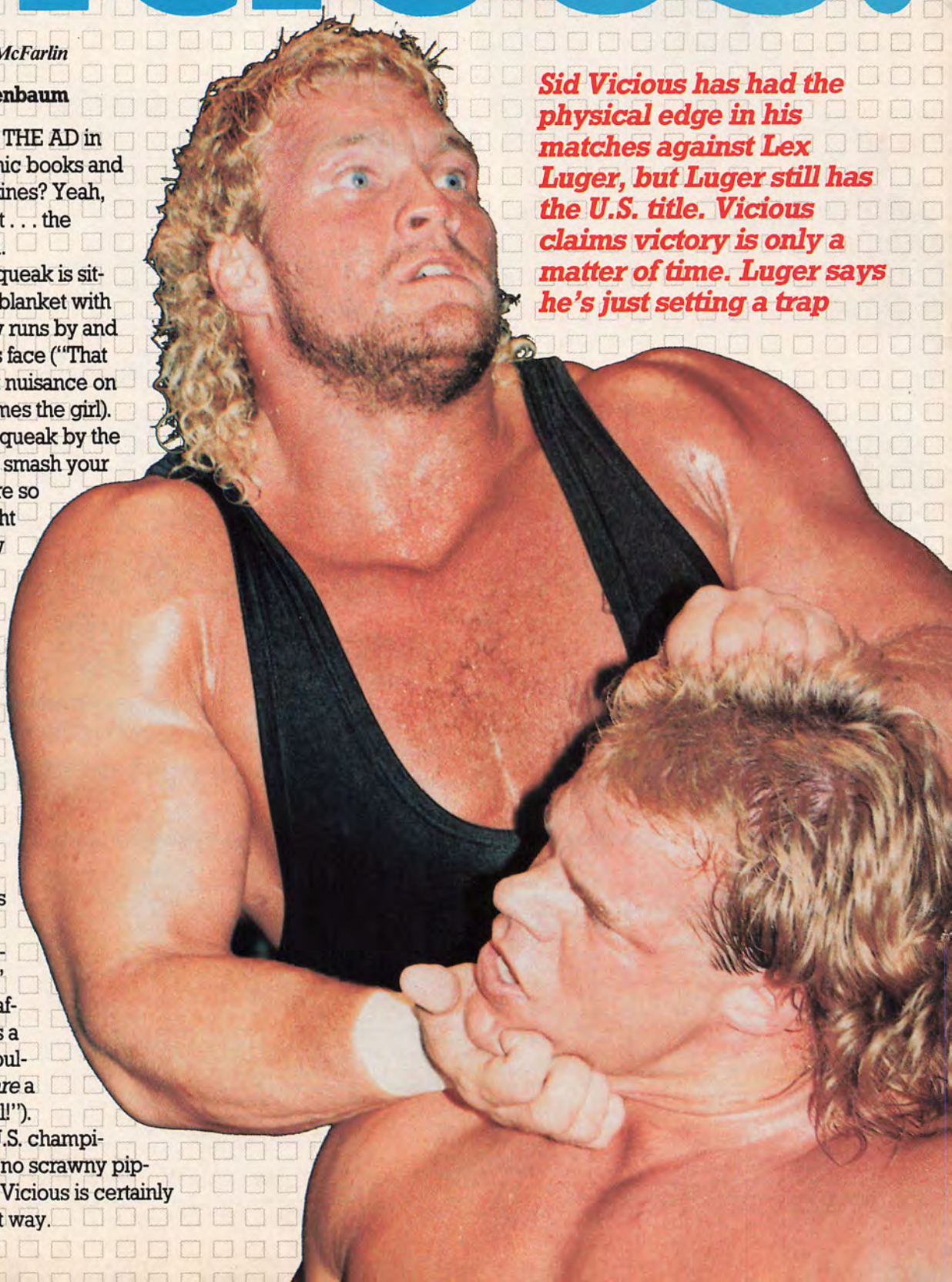
VICIOUS: "I KICKED SAND IN LUGER'S

Photos by Brad McFarlin

By Dave Rosenbaum

Sid Vicious has had the physical edge in his matches against Lex Luger, but Luger still has the U.S. title. Vicious claims victory is only a matter of time. Luger says he's just setting a trap



REMEMBER THE AD in the old comic books and wrestling magazines? Yeah, you remember it . . . the Charles Atlas ad.

Scrawny pipsqueak is sitting on a beach blanket with his girl. Big bully runs by and kicks sand in his face ("That man is the worst nuisance on the beach," chimes the girl). Bully grabs pipsqueak by the skinny arm ("I'd smash your face—only you're so skinny, you might dry up and blow away!"). Girlfriend gives pipsqueak the brush-off ("Oh, don't let it bother you, little boy"). Pipsqueak kicks chair, gambles a stamp, sends for Charles Atlas brochure, and becomes Superman ("Oh Mac," gushes the girl after Mac delivers a hard jab to the bully's chin, "you *are* a real man after all!").

Well, NWA U.S. champion Lex Luger is no scrawny pipsqueak. But Sid Vicious is certainly treating him that way.

FACE!"
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Vicious, one of the few men able to overpower Luger in a test of strength, says his goal is to humiliate the U.S. champion.

"I kicked sand in Luger's face!" Vicious howled after dominating Luger in every facet of a recent match that he ultimately lost by countout. "I've done it so many times, it's getting boring!"

According to Vicious, victory isn't the main goal in his matches against Luger.

"I want to humiliate him first," Vicious said. "I'll pin him later. In fact, I'll pin him whenever I want. But right now, I want to show him up for the punk that he is."

Luger is hardly a punk, but he has found himself uncharacteristically dominated by Vicious.

Perhaps Luger should send for that Charles Atlas brochure. With performances like these, and embarrassing postmatch comments by Vicious, he's become the pipsqueak on the beach.

Of course, nobody but Vicious really believes that.

"Vicious doesn't wrestle, he brawls," Luger said. "If I went into my matches with him and had no interest in winning them, I could do the same thing. But I'm the champion, and I can't get away with that. If I don't go in looking to win, I'm in trouble.

"Listen, Vicious can do whatever he wants," Luger continued. "I can take it. My body was built to withstand punishment. If Vicious doesn't realize he's wasting his time, that's *his* problem."

Luger was then asked if he's embarrassed by the way Vicious has overpowered him.

"I think I've already answered that question," Luger snapped back. "Who has the belt? Vicious is a patsy—he's done nothing."

Which is hardly the case. Vicious, whatever his objectives, has dominated one of the most powerful men in the sport. If nothing else, he has gained a psychological edge over Luger. This edge, as Vicious pointed out, could be all he needs to eventually win the U.S. title.

"Actually," Vicious maintains, "it was the edge I needed to get matches against Sting for the only title that really counts, the NWA World championship. I've earned my chance."

In reality, Vicious "earned" his title shot by savagely attacking Sting. "What I've done to Luger will put the fear of God in Sting," Vicious said. "Sting knows he isn't nearly as strong as Luger. Yeah, he's a better *wrestler,* scientifically, anyway. But if I can manhandle Luger, I can break Sting in half like a twig. Maybe it won't happen right away, but it'll happen eventually. I guarantee it."

The NWA encouraged violent Vicious' winning-by-losing tactics by granting him the title shot at Sting. But, as Luger said, Vicious has only proven his ability to overpower an opponent on the way to a disqualification; he has yet to prove his ability to win.

"That's the bottom line," Luger said. "I've said it once and I'll say it again: The only thing people remember in this sport is who wears the title belts."

Luger says he can take any punishment Vicious might dish out, and reminds fans that *he,* not Vicious, is the one wearing a championship belt.

"Yeah," Vicious responded. "And if his bones don't remember what I did to him, I'd be very surprised. Luger's covering up. That's what happens when a proud man has been stripped of his biggest weapon. He knows I don't fear him at all, and my supposed fear of him was his biggest ally by far."

"I've seen Vicious' best," Luger shot back, "and I'm still standing. What does that say?"

It probably says that Vicious' talk has been better than the results he's achieved. Vicious lacks direction; he always has. He needs to set a goal and go after it in a workmanlike manner. This "destroy first, pin later" plan can't work.

"Sid's a good man," said his fellow Horseman Ric Flair, "but I've told him a million times: When you have a chance, you've gotta grab it.

You can't let chances slip away. He goes after Luger, he gets him, then, instead of going for the win, he tries to punish Luger a little more. His game plan never makes the turn."

It never makes the turn toward victory.

"If Luger's crippled, he's an easy pin," Vicious said.

"If I thought I was in that much danger," Luger countered, "I'd change my game plan, too."

Exactly.

Remember the final frames of the cartoon in the Charles Atlas ad. Scrawny no more, the "pipsqueak" returns to the beach. Women rush to his side. The bully is put in his place once and for all.

Of course, the bully had his chance to put away the pipsqueak. He didn't. He let it slip away.

Sid Vicious may already have had his best chance to put away Luger—a chance that he has allowed to slip away for the fleeting pleasure of inflicting more punishment.

And Luger—no pipsqueak, to be sure—won't forget it. □

Constant beatings on Luger, Vicious says, send a message to NWA World champion Sting.

Super conference

TERRY FUNK

FEW BELIEVED IT, even though it was announced to the world. Late in 1989, former NWA World champion Terry Funk appeared on television to say that he was hanging up his tights, that he was never going to wrestle again.

On November 15, 1989, Funk submitted to Ric Flair's figure-four leglock at Clash of the Champions IX in Troy, New York. The shame of giving up—in front of a national TV audience, no less—prompted Funk to retire and devote his time to providing commentary on NWA broadcasts.

Terry Funk piledrives Jerry Lawler during their first match against each other in nine years. The bloody contest ended with the wily Texan being disqualified.

However, many fans felt that Funk's volatile nature would never allow him to really quit, and they were right. Funk remained in the announcers' booth for only a few months. In June, a promoter offered the wily veteran an opportunity to meet Stan Hansen in a "Death Island" match in Pennsauken, New Jersey.

Funk readily accepted the challenge, and the torrid Texas twosome brawled in the ring, out of it, and all over the nearby beach. Funk won the bout by disqualification, but something more important had happened: He was back, and he relished it.

Next up for Funk was a September 15 appearance in Philadelphia, where he was disqualified in a wild and bloody bout against Jerry Lawler. The match rekindled the longstanding hatred between Funk and Lawler, and Funk wanted another piece of "The King." On October 8, Funk entered a tournament to fill the vacant USWA title in Memphis. Although Lawler recaptured the gold, Funk (who lost to Lawler in the semifinal round) took part in a gang-up on Lawler after the final bout.

Managing Editor Craig Peters and Associate Editors Bob Smith and Eddie Ellner ventured to Funk's ranch in Amarillo, Texas, to find out what the grizzled 25-year veteran's next move would be.

CRAIG PETERS: Welcome back to wrestling, Terry, but I have to admit that we're starting this interview with a bit of trepidation.

TERRY FUNK: **Why's that, pardner?**

BOB SMITH: Well, the last time I interviewed you, back in 1989, you spit brown chewing tobacco juice all over me. And just last month, Stan Hansen did the same thing to Andy Rodriguez . . .

FUNK: **Don't mention that name!**

SMITH: What do you have against Andy Rodriguez?

FUNK: **No, *Hansen,* you dumbbell! That egg-sucking dog is the poorest excuse for a wrestler I've ever seen. He's big, stupid, and he smells like a barnyard. He buys the cheapest brand of chaw he can get, too. People like him give the state of Texas a bad name.**

EDDIE ELLNER: Frankly, I'm surprised to hear you talk like that, Terry. In my eyes, Hansen is totally his own man, and he's one of the greatest wrestlers around today.

FUNK: **That shows what you know. That big ape tried to slice me open by pounding me with that cowbell of his during our last match. Now, you tell me: What kind of a man brings a foreign object to the ring with him?**

Every issue, reporters from PRO WRESTLING ILLUSTRATED will participate in an incisive press conference with a top wrestling star. The questions will be demanding. And the answers will reveal the innermost thoughts of the giants of the sport.

PETERS: That's pretty funny. I was going to ask the same thing about you and your branding iron.

FUNK: **Don't be a wise guy, Peters. I've kicked the butts of much better men than you, so watch your lip. And don't worry about the branding iron. I never use the thing unless I'm provoked, and most of the time it's my opponents that steal it and use it against *me,* anyway. Next question.**

SMITH: Okay. You seem to be pretty active for a man who announced his retirement almost a year ago. In fact, you've taken part in three of the most violent events of 1990.

FUNK: **That's right, and it feels damn good to be back in the saddle again. When I had that match against Hansen, I won by disqualification, and I was sorry that I didn't have the opportunity to pin his shoulders to the canvas. But one thing I learned from wrestling that goon was that I'm still as good as I've ever been. I know now that I was wrong to have quit when I did, because I've still got a lot of fire left in these britches. Look what I've done since then!**

ELLNER: That's right. Your match in Philadelphia with Jerry Lawler proved that you're still one of the most dangerous brawlers ever. Lawler busted your head open early in the match—and it was a deep cut—but you just kept on fighting like nothing happened.

FUNK: Aww, **it was just a scratch. Look, Lawler is still the lowest worm ever to pull on a pair of wrestling tights. I was**

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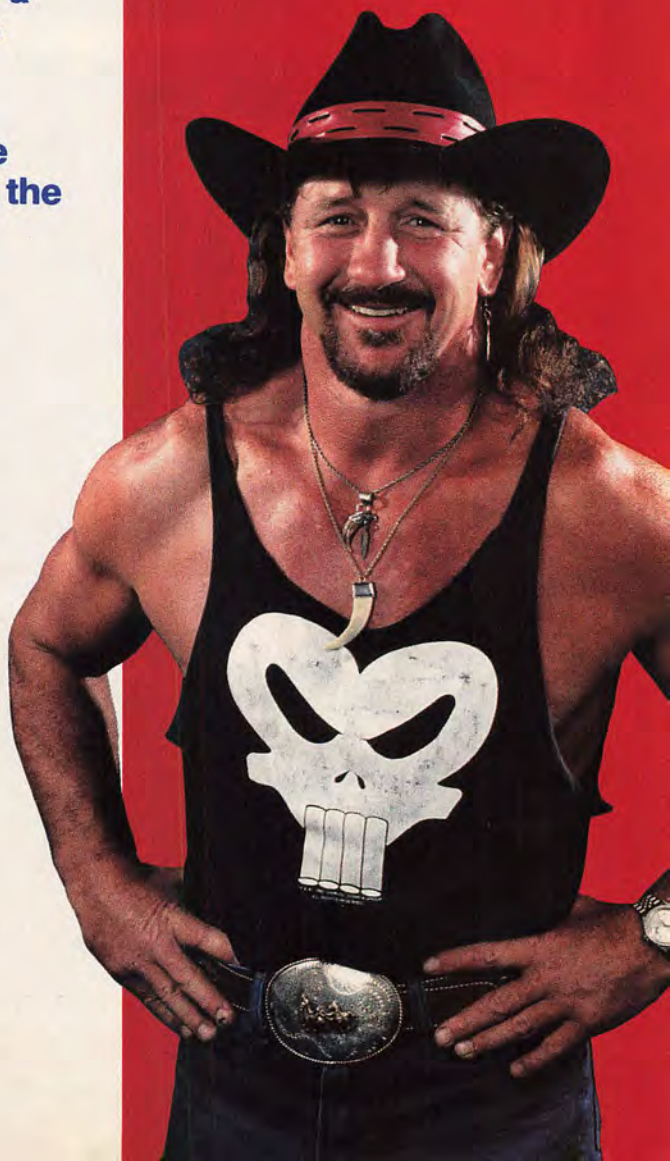
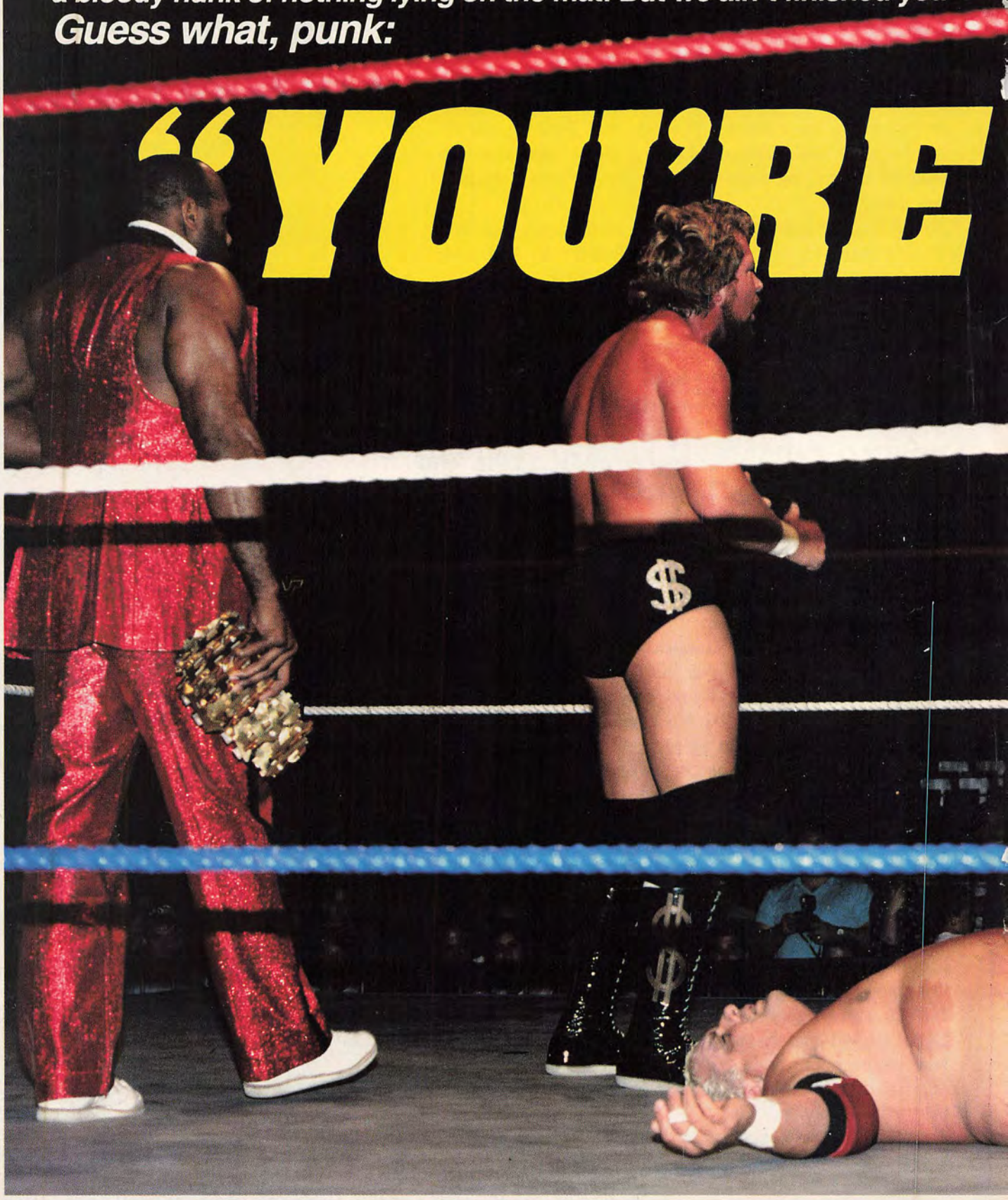
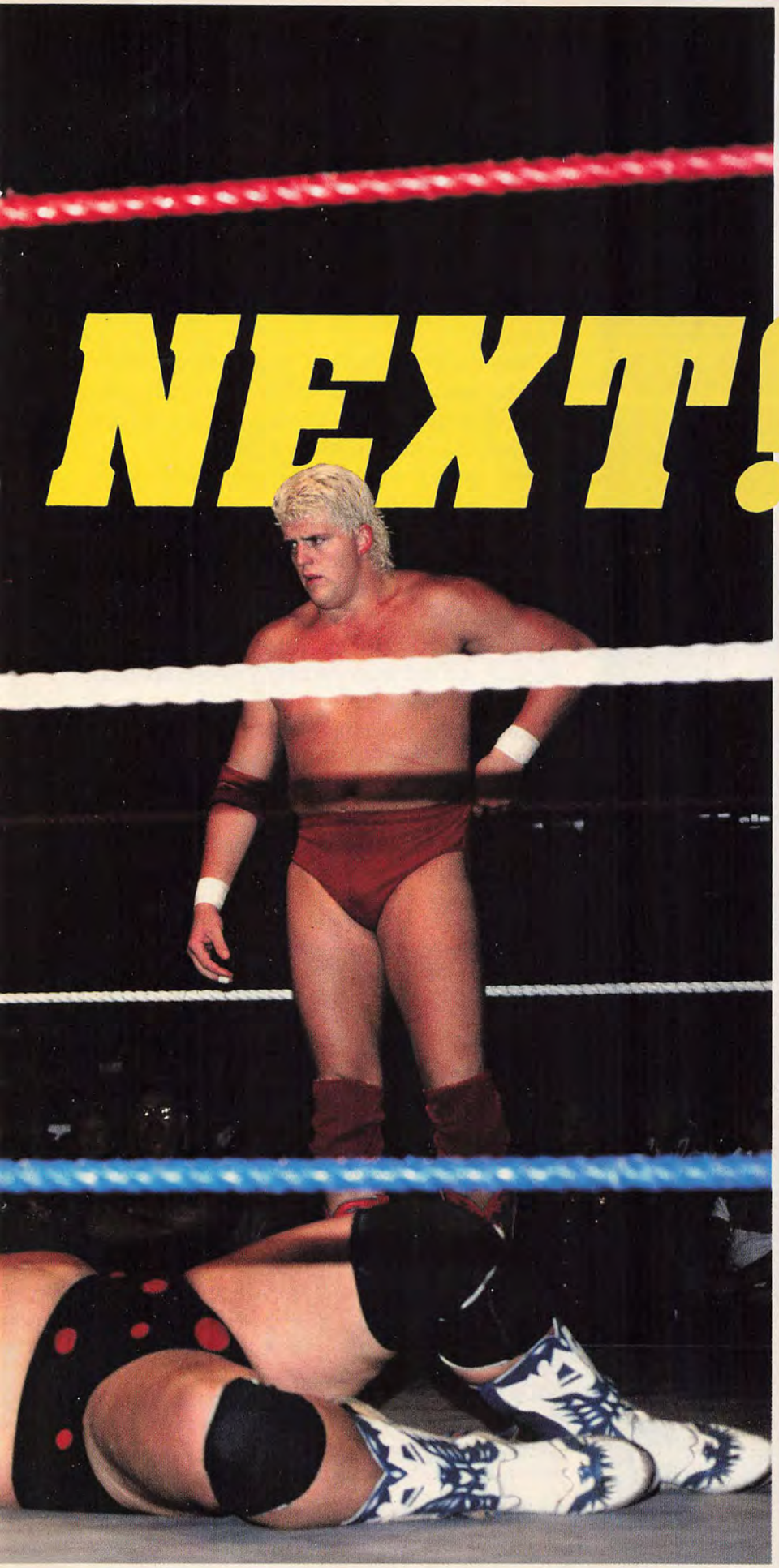


The venomous hatred drips from the lips of Virgil and Ted DiBiase. One can well imagine their gleeful warning to Dustin Rhodes: "We mauled your father! Beat the fat slob's brains in and left him for dead, a bloody hunk of nothing lying on the mat! But we ain't finished yet.

Guess what, punk:

"YOU'RE





NEXT!"

By Andy Rodriguez

RARE ARE THE nights that Dustin Rhodes gets to watch his father wrestle. It had been ages since the days when he would sit in the stands, sucking on soda pop and munching down popcorn, watching his father beating the best wrestlers in the world.

So, on a recent evening when Dustin had the chance to relive his past, he grabbed the opportunity. On this night, Dustin picked up his complimentary ticket and sat in the front row at the Toledo Sports Arena in Ohio. When his dad, Dusty Rhodes, entered the ring, he cheered like a little kid.

Hey, this is fun!

Just like in the past, Dustin's emotions went up and down with the flow of the match. Randy Savage gained the advantage. Dustin urged his father on. Dusty rallied. Dustin stood up and cheered. Savage nearly scored a pin and Dustin gasped. Dusty escaped and there was life again.

Then Ted DiBiase and Virgil decided to watch the match, too.

When DiBiase and Virgil walked into the crowd, everyone's attention turned away from the match. Virgil pulled out a wad of money; DiBiase walked from fan to fan, offering each $100 to vacate his seat.

Money talks, fans walk. Suddenly, there was only one person left in the front row: Dustin. And when Virgil and DiBiase took a seat at either side of Dustin, trouble was only seconds away.

Dustin continued to cheer on his father. Virgil and DiBiase screamed for Savage. An argument started. The argument developed into a brawl. Dustin was overmatched.

DiBiase gained a huge edge over Dusty (above and below) after he lured Sapphire away from him. But DiBiase may have made a big mistake when he went after Dustin.

Dusty, of course, knew his son was in the front row. He also noticed when DiBiase and Virgil came out. This was enough of a distraction. But when DiBiase and Virgil attacked his son, Dusty could take no more.

He forgot about Savage and started to leave the ring. Savage attacked him from behind and scored the pin. Dusty, groggy, didn't seem to care. He only cared about his son. But by the time Dusty saved Dustin, the damage had already been done. DiBiase and Virgil were gone. The humiliation was complete.

Dusty Rhodes has suffered humiliation in his life. It's gone hand-in-hand with the glory. He knows it's a part of wrestling. But when they attacked his son . . . well, that was too much to take.

How does it feel to know that your enemies have declared war on your son?

It doesn't feel good.

Dustin, of course, is capable of handling himself when the odds are even. A few weeks later, DiBiase challenged Dustin and told him he could beat him within 10 minutes. Dustin, naturally, accepted the challenge and was up to the task. They wrestled to a 10-minute draw.

The kid had shown up his father's archrival.

"It was a great moment for Dustin," one WWF fan favorite said. "He really embarrassed DiBiase. In that situation, Dustin wasn't trying to win. He didn't care. He just wanted to last, and he did. Not only that, but I'd say Dustin had the edge."

Who's next?

In Toledo, Ohio, Dustin thought he'd just sit back and enjoy watching his father wrestle, but DiBiase had other plans.

With DiBiase's success against Dusty (left and above), he is sending a clear message to Dustin: This could happen to you.

Indeed, Dustin's had better luck against DiBiase than Dusty has. On October 6 in Boston, for example, DiBiase slugged Dusty over the head with his "million-dollar belt" and scored an easy pin. Similar occurrences have been taking place in arenas throughout the country.

In this family feud, the son has fared better than the father.

"Dusty is so mad at DiBiase for buying Sapphire that he just loses his mind every time he steps into the ring," said Rhodes' former partner Dick Murdoch. "He can't wrestle his game. But Dustin is fighting for survival and respect. Those are the most dangerous wrestlers of all."

Like we said: *Who's* next?

DiBiase has had a miserable WWF career. All of his accomplishments have come through his wallet. His quest for the WWF World title was a dismal failure. He has come out on the short end of nearly every feud. Money has done all the talking for DiBiase.

Imagine if he didn't have Virgil.

Dusty was doing fine until DiBiase bought Sapphire. Then something clicked in his head. He went crazy.

Fortunately, Dustin is still wrestling on solid ground.

Are we witnessing the birth of a champion? Dustin has wrestled for a couple of years, but never with such determination. He has lived up to the challenge, but the challenge has just begun. DiBiase and Virgil have vowed to put him away.

Dustin isn't exactly shaking in his shoes.

No matter how hard DiBiase tries, Dusty won't give up. Deep down, the "Million-Dollar Man" must know that.

"Dustin only gets in trouble when he's at an unfair advantage, like two- or three-on-one," Murdoch said. "But he's a Rhodes, and he won't back down from any situation."

A Rhodes is stubborn and tough. A Rhodes accepts every challenge. A Rhodes almost always ends up on top.

This Rhodes, Dustin Rhodes, has been put on the spot.

By targeting Dustin for destruction, perhaps DiBiase and Virgil have made their greatest mistake. □

A Survey Of Wrestlers Reveals:

SCOTT STEINER IS THE BIGGEST WRESTLER IN THE WORLD

Who is the best wrestler in the sport? That question has always received the most debate, and has never been clearly answered . . . until now! The consensus of top NWA stars is that Scott Steiner is the man most respected—and feared!—by his peers

Steiner hiptosses Bobby Eaton (above) and leapfrogs Fatu (bottom). NWA wrestlers respect Steiner for his outstanding technical ability.

By Dave Rosenbaum

PRO WRESTLING ILLUSTRATED has its own way of ranking wrestlers. On our ratings pages every month, we compile a Top 10 list based on the inherent skill of each wrestler, the past month's won-lost record, and quality of opposition.

But instead of arriving at a list that can be objectively and undeniably viewed as a ranking of the 10 best in the sport, we arrive at a Top 10 that's a basis for argument among fans, journalists, and, as it turns out, even the wrestlers themselves.

Our best isn't their best.

There are far different criteria at work.

"When I step into the ring, I don't care how many matches my opponent's won or who he's been wrestling," said U.S. champion Lex Luger. "I care about how he can wrestle and what kind of danger he poses to me. A guy can be the best wrestler in the world, but if I can handle his best moves, he's not the best against me."

With this in mind, the editors of *Pro Wrestling Illustrated* compiled a questionnaire and submitted it to 20 top NWA wrestlers. Their answers were given anonymously, in order to ensure the greatest level of truthfulness.

The questions ranged from, "Who do you try to avoid as an opponent?" to "Which move do you fear most?" to "Who is the fiercest competitor?" to "Which wrestler has the most complete repertoire?"

Our goal was to find out who the wrestlers themselves think is the best in the federation.

And although he wasn't the number-one answer to each question, Scott Steiner's name was consistently among the top in each category.

Not NWA World champion Sting. Not six-time former World champion Ric Flair. Not NWA World tag team champions Ron Simmons and Butch Reed. Not Luger, Arn Anderson, nor Sid Vicious.

Scott Steiner.

"It's an honor to get singled out by your peers," Scott said. "Still, there are a lot of great wrestlers in the NWA. Heck, I haven't even won a singles title here yet!"

Scott's "Frankensteiner" (below) is one of the sport's most thrilling finishing maneuvers, and Eaton is once again a victim.

He could, at least in the minds of the other NWA stars.

"The suplex is one of the most painful moves in the sport, and Steiner has a collection like nobody else," said one NWA wrestler. "His 'Frankensteiner' is awesome, he's strong as a bull, and he never gives up. When I wrestle Steiner, I know I'm in for a night's work. Make that a *week's* work."

Steiner's style—always straight-ahead—constantly has opponents fighting to avoid backward movement. Although he isn't the most complete wrestler, he's pretty close. And he might be the most fearless.

"As far as overall ability, there's nobody like Flair," an NWA fan favorite said. "He has all the moves and he knows just when to use them. But Flair sometimes relaxes during a match. Steiner keeps coming at you."

Steiner and Luger fared about equally on the question, "Which one move of all potential opponents do you fear most?"

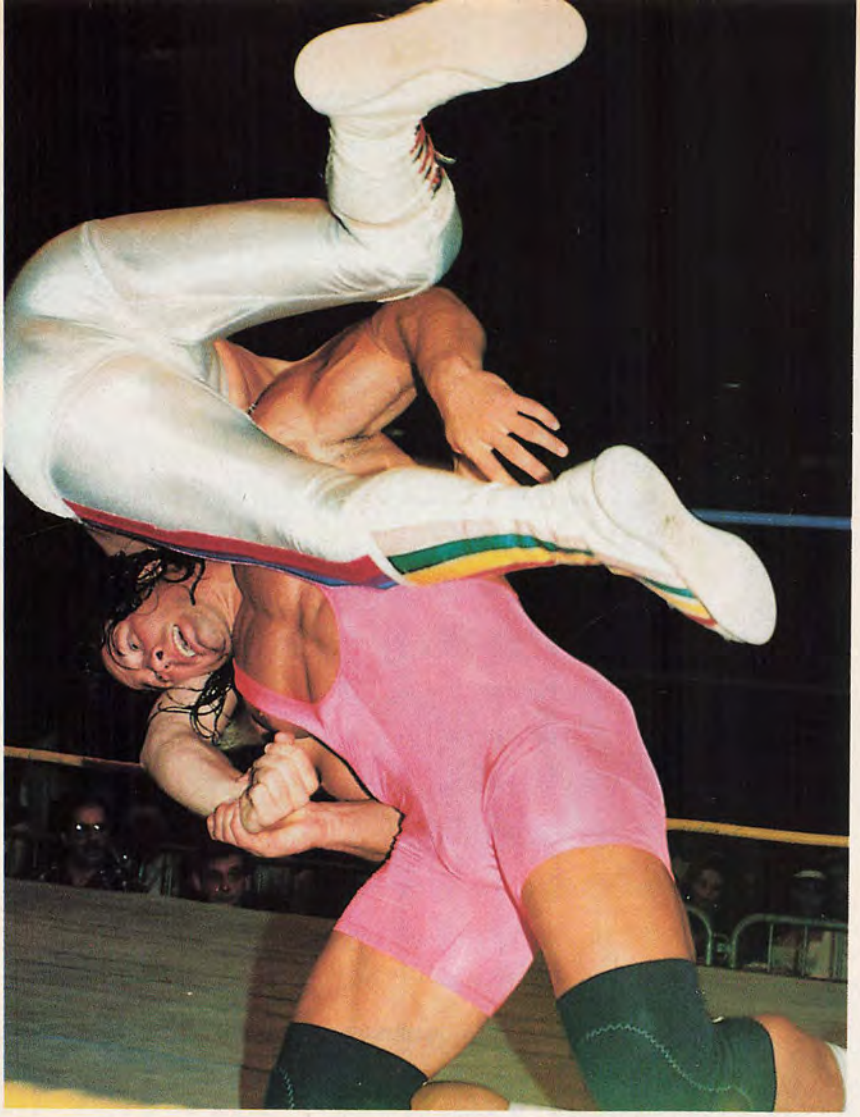
Opponents are terrified of Luger's backbreaker. Many of those questioned, however, pointed out that Luger often fails to complete the move. The "Frankensteiner" is almost always a success.

Although he isn't the most complete wrestler, he's pretty close. And he might be the most fearless.

"He only uses it when he knows it's going to work," one wrestler said. "You get to the point in a match where you're helpless to avoid it. It's basically curtains. But look at Luger: How many times did he get Flair up in the rack and fail to complete the move?"

Sting was often mentioned when we asked: "Who best combines scientific and brawling ability?" The World champ reached the top because of his ability to wrestle in any style.

Again, however, Steiner scored high on this question. He was one of the finest collegiate wrestlers in the country. As a pro, he has bulked up and added the ability to brawl.



The fireman's carry takedown (left) and the powerslam (below) are fairly ordinary moves. But when Steiner executes them, they're downright lethal.

"Some guys wrestle scientifically for a while, then they'll go to punching and kicking, then they'll go back again," another wrestler said. "Steiner can do both at once. He'll hit you with a takedown, then he'll maul you with his fists. It's disheartening."

To our surprise, madmen such as Stan Hansen and Sid Vicious were rarely mentioned in our survey. Apparently, most wrestlers find these men too one-dimensional. They all brawl, but do little else. They are surely dangerous, but they can be beaten.

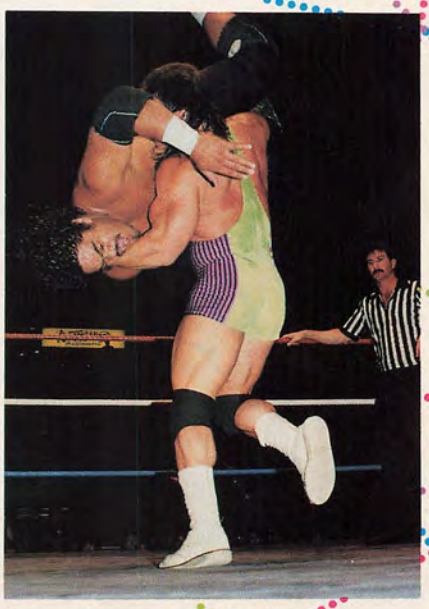
Steiner, as he pointed out himself, has never won a singles title in the NWA. But an examination of his singles match record reveals almost flawless performance: He rarely gets pinned, and often wins by pinfall.

"Stepping into the ring with Steiner is like asking for a black mark on your record," was one response.

Perhaps he has not reached the top because he hasn't concentrated on reaching the top. Scott and his brother, Rick, are the U.S. tag team champions. Scott has put aside his singles aspirations—for now.

"I don't really have any," he admitted. "I'd rather wrestle with Rick."

Perhaps his attitude will change now that he's been singled out as the best of the best. □



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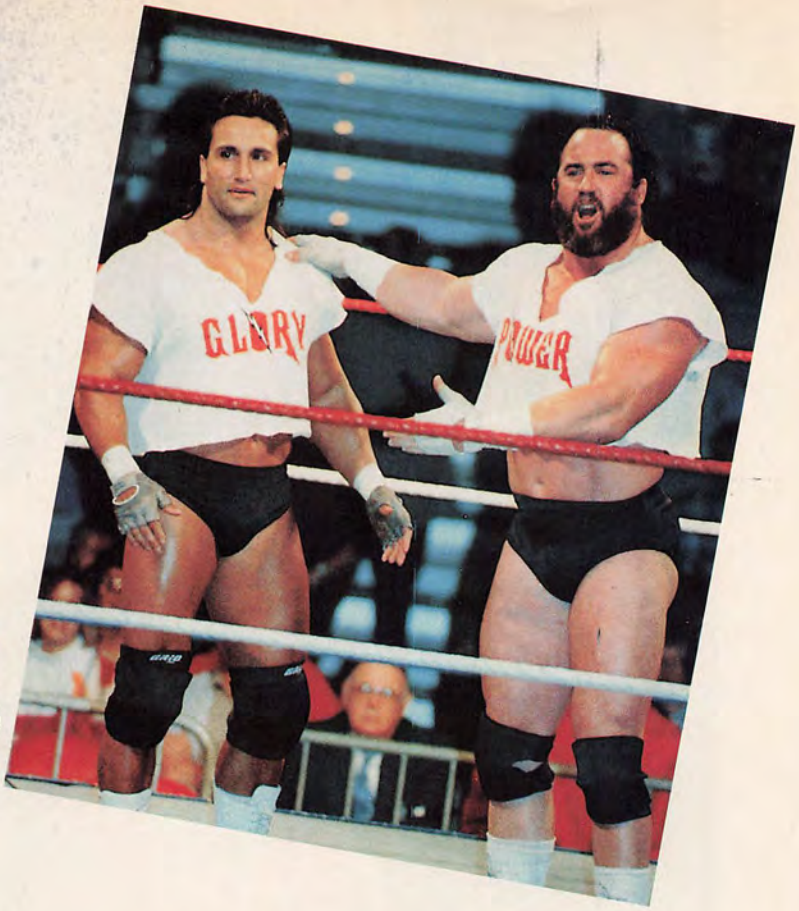

TURNING WASTED POTENTIAL INTO

POWER & Glory

By Kostya Kennedy

IT WAS LATE-July, and Paul Roma walked through the thick summer air toward his hotel. The night was heavy and unbearably humid, and Roma would surely have been more comfortable in a taxi. Yet he walked anyway. He needed time to think.

His thoughts weren't all bad; he had just pinned Paul Diamond after delivering a resounding powerslam. The problem for Roma was that his victories over non-contenders were getting him nowhere. Roma's WWF career, like the atmosphere surrounding him, was decidely stagnant.

"He was spending a lot of time by himself," said a companion who traveled with Roma early last summer. "Every time we got to a new city, I wanted to go out and see the town, but his heart wasn't in it. He was becoming very frustrated about his career. He felt like it wasn't going anyplace.

"I remember one night he got really angry at his whole life. He was talking to me about wrestling and all of a sudden he just went nuts. He started yelling about how life was unfair and how he'd never gotten a chance to show what he could do. I think he would have quit wrestling right then and there if I hadn't been able to calm him down."

It's a good thing Roma regained his senses. Now, just a few months after his career seemed destined to run forever on a treadmill, Roma is part of one of the top tag teams in the WWF.

Thank Slick for forming Power & Glory.

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It was the middle of July and Hercules had beaten Akeem with a clean pin. It was nice to win, of course, but Hercules' celebration was short and relatively subdued. He knew the victory meant nothing as far as heightening his WWF status was concerned.

"Hercules is one guy who I always thought could be a real force under the proper circumstances," said WWF expert Thomas Pilliard. "He always had the tools to succeed, but he didn't have that extra edge. He was spinning his wheels for a long, long time. He needed something, or someone, to give him an extra push."

Not long ago, Hercules was a minor, virtually expendable, piece of the WWF puzzle. Now he's an integral part of a WWF tag team force to be reckoned with.

Again, thank Slick for forming Power & Glory.

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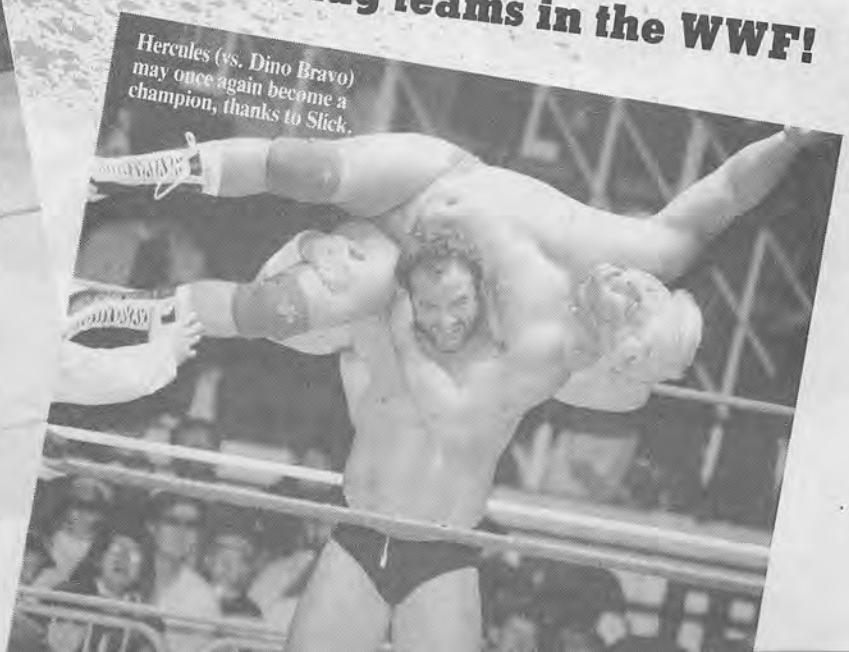
It doesn't take a genius to recognize a pair of struggling careers. But it might take one to resurrect them both with a single bold stroke. That's what Slick did when he fused the talents of Roma and Hercules into a tag team that has its eyes firmly and realistically

Last summer, Paul Roma and Hercules were floundering in separate realms of futility. Today, thanks to Slick, they are thriving as Power & Glory— one of the hottest tag teams in the WWF!

Roma (locking up with Greg Valentine) got new life in Power & Glory.


Hercules (vs. Dino Bravo) may once again become a champion, thanks to Slick.

set on The Hart Foundation's WWF World tag team championship.

"It was a brilliant move," said Pilliard. "I don't know how Slick knew that those two would work so well together, but he did. Hercules and Paul Roma really owe Slick a lot."

One wonders precisely how Slick devised his plan. How was he able to tell that Hercules and Roma would click? Maybe Slick was just lucky. Maybe he took a gamble that paid off. Or maybe he studied the situation long enough to know he had a winning formula.

Most likely, Slick was well aware that he was forming a solid unit. There are plenty of struggling wrestlers in the WWF, many with impressive skills and strength. It is ungracious to assume that Slick's choice of Hercules and Roma was even slightly arbitrary. He saw each wrestler's merits and knew that they could be far more successful as a team than they had been on their own.

"Don't underestimate Slick, he knows wrestling," said Capt. Lou Albano, the most successful manager of tag teams in the sport's history. "He has a deceptively good handle on what wrestlers can and can't do. I'm sure he weighed a lot of options before bringing Hercules and Roma together. Frankly, it doesn't surprise me that Slick came up with a winner.

"You can't just put any two wrestlers together, you know," Albano continued. "You could have two great individual wrestlers that would never be able to succeed as a team. Tag teaming requires the ability to work off one another, to sacrifice one's own interests on behalf of the interests of one's partner and of the team, and not all wrestlers mesh well enough to do that. Slick must have seen something in their respective styles and personalities that tipped him off."

Power & Glory made its first major splash at SummerSlam '90 by defeating The Rockers. The quick victory (six minutes flat) over such an established scientific duo gave Power & Glory the respect of a large portion of WWF fans.

"I don't see why Power & Glory can't move steadily to the top of the WWF," said Marlon Sanders, who regularly attends WWF cards in Massachusetts. "I know the Harts are strong champions and that Demolition and The Legion of Doom are considered the strongest challengers, but I think Power & Glory will pass all of them eventually. They've only been wrestling together for a few months, and look how well they're doing."

Far better than either one of these wrestlers would have dared to imagine a few months ago. Each man went from anonymity to stardom in less time than it takes to pass a federal budget. Suddenly, these one-time no-names are on the verge of realizing the promise of their team moniker.

Lest rightful dues be forgotten:

Thank Slick for forming Power & Glory. □

At SummerSlam '90, Roma (below) and Hercules (right) brutalized Marty Jannetty en route to an impressive victory over The Rockers. Apparently, Slick saw something in these men that set them apart from the pack.

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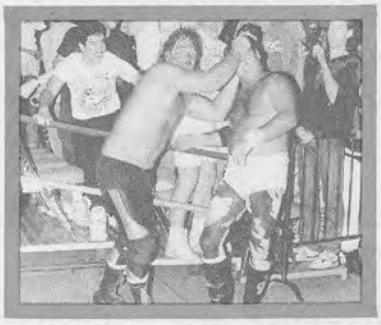

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A NO-HOLDS-BARRED LOOK AT WRESTLING'S TOP STARS

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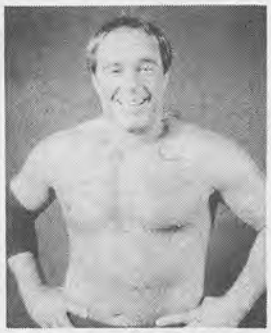


STEVE KEIRN

HOMETOWN: Tampa, FL
HEIGHT: 6'
WEIGHT: 235
YEARS AS PRO: 17
RATING: PWF champion; No. 10 in Top 10

STRENGTHS:

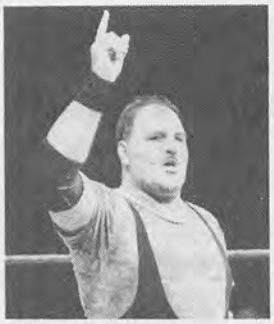
- Master of beel throw. Uses this simple yet effective maneuver to maxiumum advantage.
- Respect. Is held in awe by most of his younger contenders.
- Savvy. Knows technical wrestling holds and maneuvers as well as anyone in the sport.

WEAKNESSES:

- Stagnant. Has been wrestling in the same methodical style for years.
- Often confused. Can easily be drawn out of his game plan when a match turns into a brawl.
- Weak nasal cartilage. Several broken noses during career make it tougher to breathe in the fast-paced action of a heated match.

OTHER COMMENTS: A former member of The Fabulous Ones with Stan Lane . . . Keirn and Lane held the U.S. (Florida) tag team title twice in 1986 and 1987 . . . Won the PWF title from Kendall Windham on July 9, 1989, in Orlando, Florida . . . Fans have nicknamed him "Gator" because he hunts alligators.

OUTLOOK FOR '91: Now a three-decade man, Keirn has never been in better physical shape. Of late, he's been dominating opponents such as Jim Backlund and Bodyguard Mark. If the caliber of contenders that Keirn wrestles remains at that level, he should be Florida champion for a long time to come.



SGT. SLAUGHTER

HOMETOWN: Parris Island, SC
HEIGHT: 6'3"
WEIGHT: 310
YEARS AS PRO: 13
RATING: No. 6 in WWF

STRENGTHS:

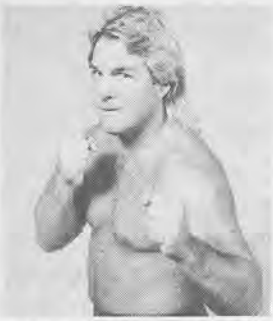
- Element of surprise. His varied use of many finishing maneuvers keeps opponents guessing.
- Experience. Has had top championship bouts in all three major federations.
- Ability to absorb punishment. Can fall far behind in a match and still battle back against the physical odds.

WEAKNESSES:

- Overweight. Midsection has become noticeably heftier in recent years.
- Lack of support. Used to derive strength from the fans, but now they despise him.
- Unbalanced. Thinks he's fighting for America, but then goes and hires an Iraqi manager!

OTHER COMMENTS: Began career as a rulebreaker, but became a huge fan favorite after an altercation with The Iron Sheik in 1984 . . . Left WWF for AWA in 1985 . . . Won Americas title from Larry Zbyszko that year . . . Captained "Sarge's Snipers" in the recent AWA Team Challenge Series.

OUTLOOK FOR '91: Slaughter's actions lately have been, to say the least, peculiar. First he left the AWA before the TCS was completed, then he hired his former enemy, Gen. Adnan, as his manager. However, Slaughter has dominated Nikolai Volkoff in their feud, so his new attitude seems to be working.



TERRY TAYLOR

HOMETOWN: Vero Beach, FL
HEIGHT: 6'1"
WEIGHT: 225
YEARS AS PRO: 10
RATING: No. 7 in NWA

STRENGTHS:

- Renewed self-esteem. He's his own man again, and it shows in his sprightly ring style.
- Scientific repertoire. Few wrestlers know on-the-mat tactics as well.
- Underrated. Opponents tend to take him lightly because of his WWF tenure as the "Red Rooster."

WEAKNESSES:

- Size. By current standards, he's far below the average in height and weight.
- Credibility. Is now in a position where he must work his way up from the very bottom of the NWA ladder.
- Surgical scars. Lingering effects of a stomach operation make him susceptible to abdominal stretches.

OTHER COMMENTS: Has fluctuated between being a fan favorite and a rulebreaker several times . . . Held the UWF TV title in 1987 . . . Defeated Matt Borne for the Texas title on February 26, 1988 . . . Entered WWF as the "Red Rooster" in July 1988 . . . Left WWF after tiring of Rooster image early this year.

OUTLOOK FOR '91: No longer shackled by his ridiculous Rooster image (which did his career more harm than good), Taylor is now free to pursue his career in any way he chooses. He's been successful in the NWA thus far, and if he stays true to himself he could soon become a contender for the U.S. or TV titles.

JERRY LAWLER

HOMETOWN: Memphis, TN
HEIGHT: 6'
WEIGHT: 234
YEARS AS PRO: 20
RATING: USWA champion

STRENGTHS:

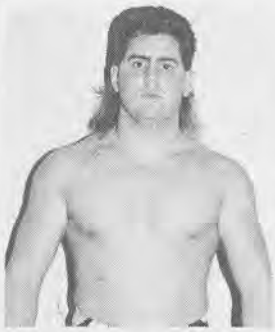
- Ultra-confidence. Has the inner strength that comes from beating nearly every major star in the sport.
- Home ring advantage. Memphis referees cut him slack, even when openly breaks the rules.
- Evasive. Sticks and moves just like a pro boxer would.

WEAKNESSES:

- Piledriver. It's one of his favorite maneuvers, but it's illegal in the USWA.
- A target. *Everybody* is trying to replace him as Memphis' top star.
- Tarnished image. Has gone from fan favorite to rulebreaker so many times, some fans will never trust him again.

OTHER COMMENTS: Is now a five-time USWA champion . . . Lost the belt to The Snowman on June 18 in Memphis . . . Snowman was stripped of the belt on August 27 after failing to defend it for 30 days because of an injury . . . Lawler won a 21-man tournament to regain the title on October 8 in Memphis.

OUTLOOK FOR '91: Lawler is back in the top slot after downing Austin Idol in the tournament, but he has his work cut out for him: Idol, Eddie Gilbert, and Terry Funk are all lusting to become USWA champion. Lawler will have to be at the top of his game to be able to overcome such worthy competition.



BRAD ANDERSON

HOMETOWN: Minneapolis, MN
HEIGHT: 6'1"
WEIGHT: 220
YEARS AS PRO: 1
RATING: No. 7 in Pacific Northwest

STRENGTHS:

- Bloodlines. He's Anderson-tough thanks to his family's wrestling heritage.
- Methodical. Usually concentrates on one limb at a time, an old-fashioned Anderson style that remains quite effective.
- Balanced. Employs an equal mixture of brawling and science.

WEAKNESSES:

- Inexperienced. Hasn't faced enough tough opposition to qualify for main events.
- Pressured. May be trying to emulate his famous relatives too soon.
- Lack of self-control. Seems unable to rein in his sadistic tendencies; has literally tried to hang some PNW foes with a rope!

OTHER COMMENTS: Now known as "Young Gun" in the Pacific Northwest . . . Wrestled briefly in the NWA and South Atlantic areas . . . Father is Gene Anderson, a former member of The Minnesota Wrecking Crew with Ole Anderson . . . Trained by his father and Nelson Royal.

OUTLOOK FOR '91: Anderson has been disqualified in many matches for hanging opponents with his rope, but there's no denying the vast potential this second-generation star displays. Given time, Anderson could challenge The Grappler for the PNW title if he can control his temper and get some wins under his belt.

JEFF GAYLORD

HOMETOWN: St. Louis, MO
HEIGHT: 6'3"
WEIGHT: 280
YEARS AS PRO: 2
RATING: No. 7 in USWA

STRENGTHS:

- Double-tough. College football background gives him rugged mental outlook ideally suited for ring.
- Reformed. Teaming with Jeff Jarrett has suddenly turned him into a fan favorite.
- Power bomb. Can slam opponents to mat with stunning force.

WEAKNESSES:

- Predictable repertoire. Tends to stick to clotheslines and kicks.
- Massive ego. Possesses too much self-love for such an unproven commodity.
- Poor pacing. Tends to burn out early, forcing himself to rely on a second wind that sometimes isn't there.

OTHER COMMENTS: Played football at the University of Missouri . . . Formerly a rulebreaker managed by Downtown Bruno . . . Teamed with Jeff Jarrett to win the USWA tag team title from Brian Lee and Don Harris—managed by Bruno—on September 17, but lost title on October 6 in Memphis to Tony Anthony and Doug Gilbert.

OUTLOOK FOR '91: Since getting away from the insipid Bruno, Gaylord has learned many new maneuvers from the technically sound Jarrett. Gaylord also has the kind of raw power that turns men into superstars these days, and he should continue to make big news either as a solo star or as part of a team.

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Garland Donoho and Mark Miller, Sting's teammates in Powerteam USA, are both opposing Sting now as The Black Scorpion, asserts reader Eric Thornton.

and the Warrior and chose to go after one of them. I think they're scared of Ultimate Warrior and they know that in the NWA they can turn to The Four Horsemen if they need help with Sting.

ERIC THORNTON
Canyonville, OR

I think The Black Scorpion should come out and tell the world who he is. My friends and I are getting nervous; this guy is creepy.

LISA GERARD
Lebanon, MO

THE NEW, UNIMPROVED ATLAS

Since I rarely had a chance to see Tony Atlas compete during his tenure in the ICW, I was looking forward to his return to the WWF. But he never arrived. Instead, I see a man billed as Saba Simba, allegedly an African chieftain. If Atlas has adopted this persona as a tribute to his African heritage, then I support him completely. Unfortunately, I suspect that this is not the case.

Vince McMahon has always ignored a wrestler's accomplishments in other federations. Recently he has taken this practice a step further by suppressing the identities of veteran grapplers, renaming them, and trying to pass them off as "new" competitors.

Curt Hennig's name is never mentioned by WWF announcers. He is referred to as "Mr. Perfect." And Kerry Von Erich is suddenly being called strictly the "Texas Tornado."

Apparently Tony Atlas is Vince McMahon's latest recycling project. Atlas has given up his name, his achievements, and his pride in exchange for a lucrative contract.

Ted DiBiase is right: Every man has his price.

JIM BRADLEY
Jackson, NJ

Was it really necessary for Vince McMahon to create the character of Saba Simba upon Tony Atlas entering the WWF? The federation is already filled with enough worthless caricatures, like The Bushwhackers and Rhythm 'n' Blues.

Atlas has great ability; he's one of three men to beat Hulk Hogan in the past 10 years. It's a shame the wrestling world has to see another pure wrestler diluted by commercialism.

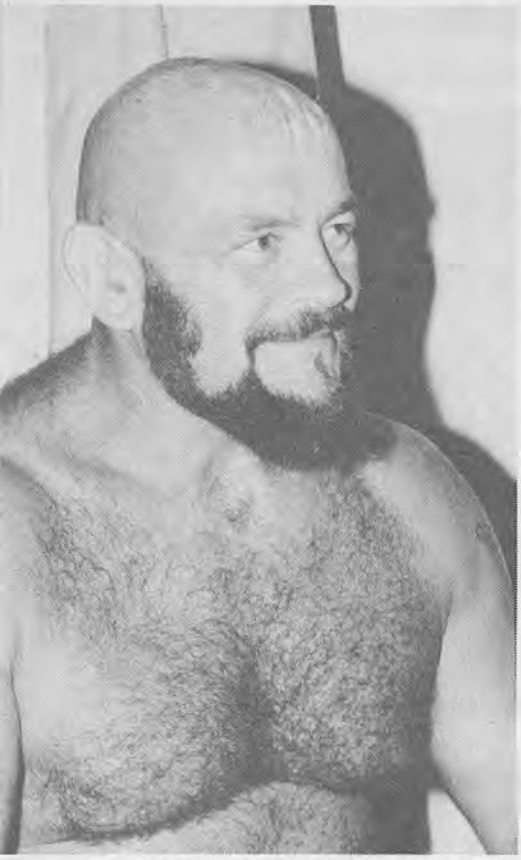
Let's see the demise of Saba Simba and the return of Tony Atlas!

BRAD BELOTE
Kingsport, TN

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

I have been a die-hard wrestling fan for over 16 years and have attended many matches. On my last birthday I got a really great surprise.

Tony Atlas' decision to change his name and identity to Saba Simba has readers Jim Bradley and Brad Belote even more disgusted with the WWF.



Ivan Koloff may be the "Russian Bear," but he made reader Marty Clark happy with a wave and a smile.

I was driving on the interstate when I looked at the car next to me and saw none other that the "Russian Bear," Ivan Koloff! I was so excited I didn't know what to do! I blew my horn and waved and Ivan smiled and waved back.

Thanks, Ivan. You topped off a great birthday for me and proved that Russians have kind hearts.

MARTY CLARK
Hartwell, GA

APPRECIATE THE GOOD

I think American fans spend too much time complaining about wrestlers and not enough time complimenting them. They should consider themselves lucky that they can see WWF wrestling. In Wales, we used to only get NWA wrestling, and now we don't get *anything.*

I loved watching wrestling, and now I wish they would put it back on television.

All you American fans should stop complaining and realize just how lucky you are.

NATHAN BALDOCK
Clwyd, Wales

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RINGSIDE

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Despite severe vision problems he suffered when Rick Martel sprayed cologne in his face, Jake Roberts continues to get physically involved.

away my glory, but it did them no good at all. I'm the champion again, and it's a title I never should have lost in the first place."

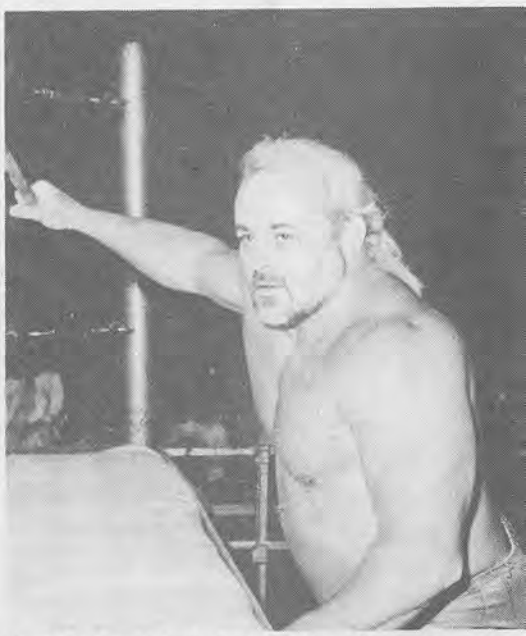
Jake Roberts is having severe vision problems, thanks to **Rick Martel**. "The Snake" was sprayed in the face with Martel's "Arrogance" cologne during a **Brother Love** interview on September 18 at the Toledo (Ohio) Sports Arena, and his eyesight was still impaired as this issue went to press.

On October 10 in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Martel was wrestling **Tito Santana** when a still-blinded Roberts inched his way to the ring by holding on to the ring barriers. When he finally got into the ring, Martel fled, and Roberts began accidentally beating Santana! Roberts got in several blows until Santana convinced Roberts that he had attacked the wrong man.

Roberts is clearly in no shape to wrestle and should take some time off until he fully regains his vision. However, Roberts' hatred of "The Model" is so strong that he won't rest until he runs Martel out of the WWF forever!

Massive **Akeem** has departed the WWF following a contractual dispute ... **Demolition** must really be desperate to regain the WWF World tag team title. They've begun wearing black masks in order to confuse referees as to who is the legal man in the ring. Even that probably won't help them when they start meeting **The Legion Of Doom** ... Former Pacific Northwest champion **Scotty the Body** competed in the WWF for the first time on October 9 in Springfield, Missouri, but lost his match to **Koko B. Ware**.

Devious **Kevin Sullivan** has re-



Kevin Sullivan is back in the NWA, and he says he has some big plans to wreak havoc in the federation.

turned to the NWA following a five-month hiatus because of a broken left hand. The brutal "Gamesmaster" was back in action on October 5 in Ft. Pierce, Florida, where he engaged in a violent double-countout against popular **Tyree Pride**. Sullivan admits that he's not at 100 percent yet, but has some big plans for the federation.

"I've assembled some of the greatest fighting forces in NWA history," said Sullivan. "I've formed **The Varsity Club** and **Sullivan's Slaughterhouse**, but what I have in mind now will make those other groups pale by comparison. Nobody—not **The Four Horsemen** or **The Dudes With Attitudes**—will be able to match the grand scheme that I have in mind!"

Jeff Jarrett is the new USWA Southern champion. The popular second-generation star defeated the first man to hold the newly revived title, **Dick Slater**, on October 6 in Nashville, Tennessee. However, Jarrett's luck as a USWA tag team champion ran out as he and **Jeff Gaylord** were defeated by **Doug Gilbert** and

Jeff Jarrett lost the USWA tag team title and won the Southern title . . . all in the same day.

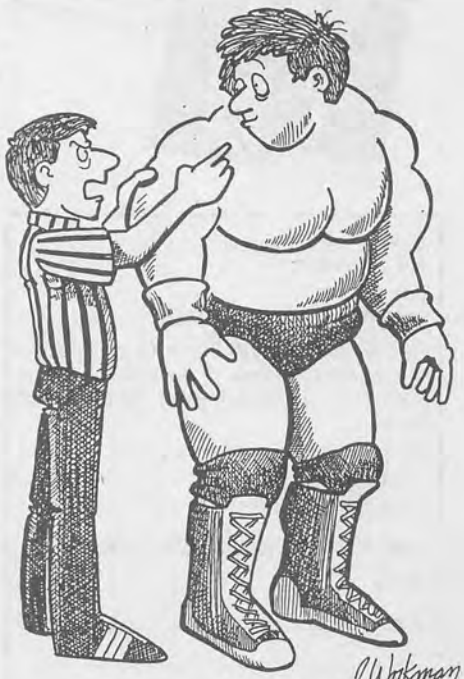
Tony Anthony earlier that same day in Memphis. Jarrett was doubly angry after the event, and not only because **Eddie Gilbert** held Jarrett's leg from under the ring to cause the loss. He's boiling mad that USWA officials allowed the title to change hands as a result of a countout.

Robert Gibson of The Rock 'n' Roll Express has been out of action since badly injuring his knee in a match against NWA World tag team champions Doom.

"I'm not even sure what the rules are around here anymore," said Jarrett after defeating Slater. "Winning the Southern title soothes the wound a little bit, but Gaylord and I aren't going to be happy until we regain those tag belts. We were ripped off, not only by Gilbert, but by the officials!"

Robert Gibson of **The Rock 'n' Roll Express** severely injured his right knee during a match against NWA World tag team champions **Doom** on September 22 in Jacksonville, Florida. Gibson attempted a flying kneedrop on **Butch Reed**, who moved out of the way, and Gibson crashed to the mat. The popular star suffered a torn ligament, a sprained ligament, and torn cartilage in the knee. He is expected to be out of action for as long as six months.

That's all for now. See you at ringside! □



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(after picking myself up off the floor) was ask Bill Apter if we had a photographer in Kings Mountain, North Carolina, for the match. He shot me back a sarcastic stare that said, "No—and you better not get on my case about it."

So, there is no photographic evidence of the match. But it is in the record book. Jones, a prohibitive underdog, trailed most of the way. He did manage to grab the upper hand, which immediately brought Fuller's "Stud Stablemate" Matt Borne to the ring apron. Fuller whipped Jones toward Borne, but Jones stopped short and the champion received the blow intended for the challenger. Three slaps of the mat later, the challenger—the old guy, the unrespected manager—would be champion of the SAPW.

"We didn't even celebrate that night," Jones said. "It took a day or so for it all to sink in, and then my wife and I went out with another couple to a quiet restaurant."

No champagne-soaked blasts for this guy. Those days are long gone. He's won so many championships, most notably the NWA World tag team title three times, once with Rick Steamboat and twice with Masked Superstar. In '78, he did, in fact, receive some recognition from the fans: He and Steamboat were voted Tag Team of the Year.

That relationship with Steamboat would eventually deteriorate into a feud, the memory of which was revived in August when Jones was assigned to referee a match between SAPW champion Robert Fuller and challenger Rick Steamboat. Borne, at ringside for Fuller, was giving Jones a real hard time, and Jones threatened Fuller with disqualification. Fuller responded to the warning by attacking the referee. Steamboat ran to Jones'

In the 1970s, Paul Jones fought Ric Flair. Now Jones has come back to win a championship.

aid, and not only was a friendship revived, but also a wrestling career.

"I was giving a comeback some thought for a while," Jones told me. "I had been in training for about six months. Intensive training. Training like I never did before I retired. I wasn't sure if I was going to come back full-time, but I was pretty sure I wanted to get in there for a couple of matches. Now, I have no choice."

Indeed not. At least not until he loses his championship, which could be soon. "I realize that," Jones admitted, "but that's okay. The SAPW has a lot of good, young talent. And I'm ripe to be taken. But I'm so proud right now, nothing bothers me."

Jones should be proud. He has done something that few men in sports ever have. Men in their mid-40s have won championships before, but not after being retired for five years. But, then, Paul Jones doesn't look at the passing of time the way most of us do.

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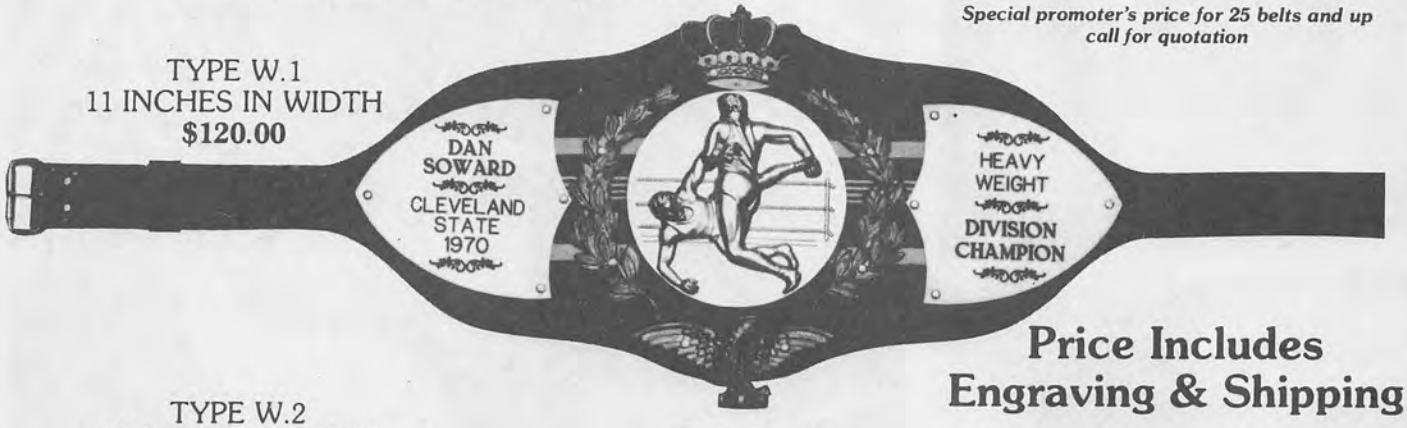

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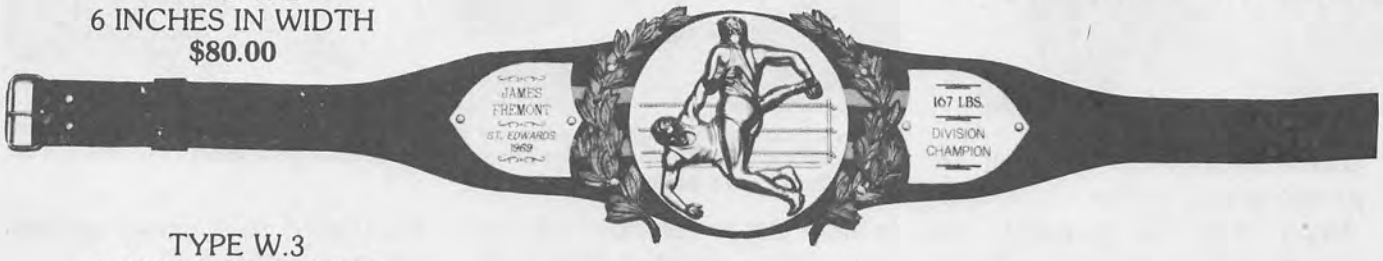

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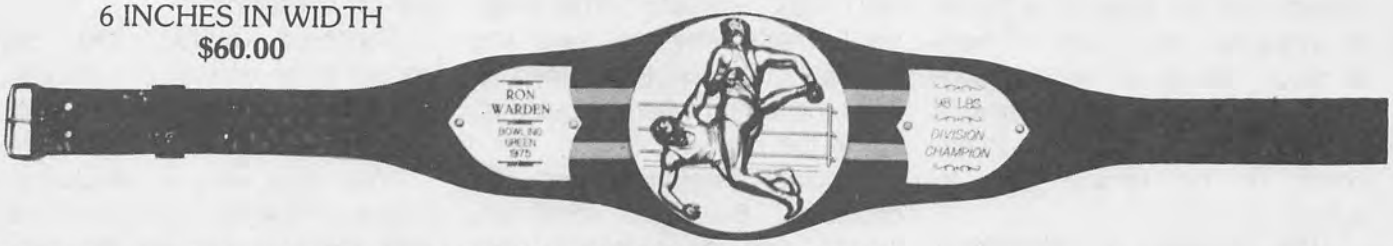

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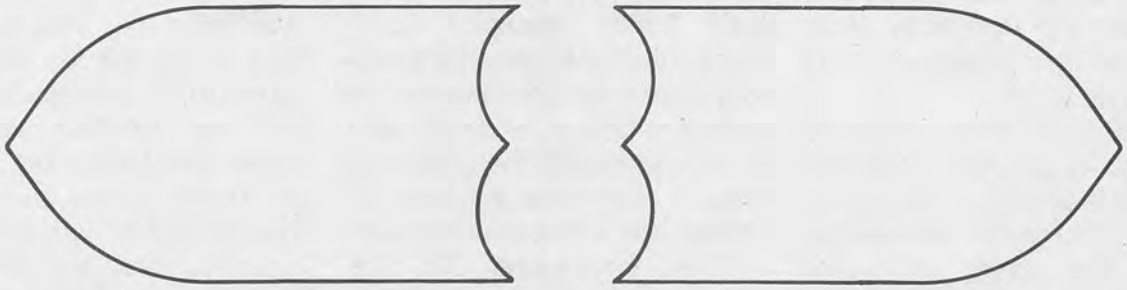

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WIN, LOSE, OR DRAW

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Adams says beating Rude (left) by pinning him felt a lot better than if he'd beaten him by countout or disqualification. AWA President Joe Blanchard says countouts are necessary to prevent men like Larry Zbyszko from stalling for time (above).

counteract a corrupt manager. Or to negotiate a contract stipulation stating that the manager be barred from the building or caged at ringside. Any man of honor would rather win a championship by putting the champ's shoulders to the mat for a three-count or by forcing him to submit."

AWA President Joe Blanchard has heard the wrestlers' gripes and arguments dozens of times before, but their opinions haven't swayed him a bit.

"I think it would be absolutely ridiculous to abolish countouts and disqualifications," Blanchard maintains. "They're an integral part of the game. Let's take countouts first. Two guys are really going at it. The action spills outside the ring. They brawl all over the ringside area and throughout the stands. Now tell me, how long is the referee going to allow that to continue? Till they can't fight anymore? That's absurd! That's why we have the countout, to force these men to keep the action where it belongs, inside the ring.

"Another argument for the countout," Blanchard continues, "is the man who constantly bails out of the ring. Here in the AWA, that's [World champion Larry] Zbyszko's *modus operandi.* Everybody knows his shenanigans are a waste of time. A ref simply can't let Zbyszko control the action that way. He must have the power to threaten him with a countout loss.

"Then there's the DQ rule. What a travesty it would be if we didn't have that. It would be an invitation for any weapon to be brought into the ring. Men would be vying to see who could use the more effective foreign object. What you'd have would definitely not be wrestling."

Blanchard added that he doesn't know of any other federation official who feels differently than he does.

"We know what is needed to preserve integrity in the sport," he says. "Simply changing the rules to end a match only on pinfall or submission may look like the fair thing to do, but it's actually irresponsible. In my opinion, referees don't use the DQ rule enough. These dyed-in-the-wool rulebreakers might change their ways if they got tossed right after the first infraction. I'm sick of hearing them bellyache about how they're not treated fairly. I think we already cut them too much slack."

As they might have said in *Blazing Saddles:* Joe Blanchard Johnson is *right!* □

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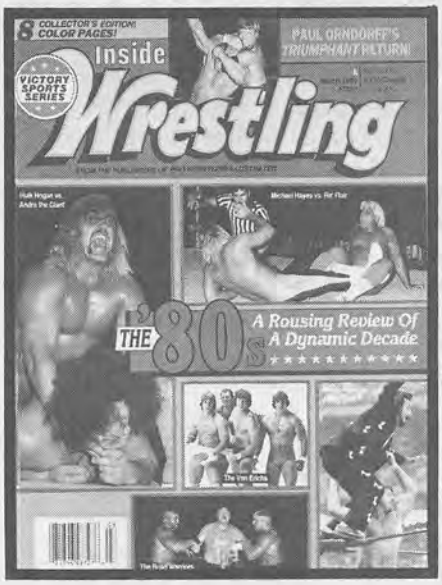

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OFF THE TOP ROPE

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Don't ask me what Stan Hansen's long-term plans are; "The Lariat" is his own man. I can tell you this, though: He'll never pander to anyone in order to get a title shot.

back to when fans cheered for wrestlers who actually wrestled.

Dear Eddie,

(Please forward this to The Ultimate Warrior.)

Hi! My name is Travis. I am just a little boy. I am really into wrestling and you're my favorite one. I watched you in WrestleMania when you fought Hulk Hogan. I have a brother named Jason and he likes you. I thought in the summer you could come over to my house and would wrestle some and I have a Nintendo. I have a three-wheeler and a four-wheeler. If you come I want you to bring me a picture of you and if you have the championship belt I want you to bring it, too.

To get here, go to the school by the highway until you come to the second dirt road on the left and go down it until you get to the first brick house on the left. Write me back. Your friend,

TRAVIS CLOUDY
Nacogdoches, TX

Dear Travis,

My hope is that you are not 28 years old and living in downtown Nacogdoches and surviving on the droppings of passing ranch animals. I assume you actually are a little boy who has the heartwarming but misguided belief that Ultimate Warrior can communicate to you in the English language—even language as simple as your own. This is a good thing, Travis. Do not be discouraged if Warrior does not appear on your doorstep. In fact, if he does, lock your door and immediately call the sheriff. But keep on rooting for your favorite wrestlers no matter how weird they are. You are the fabric of this sport. You are its backbone. With a few hundred thousand more Travis Cloudys in the world, pro wrestling wouldn't need snakes, models, and prison guards. Here's to you, my boy; thanks for writing.

Dear Eddie,

Now that Stan Hansen is wrestling in the NWA, do you think he can become champion? What do you think his plans are? And do you know if he's signed a long-term contract to remain in the States?

RAYMOND THOMPSON
Lipscomb, AL

Dear Raymond,

I write a few flattering things about Stan Hansen over the years and everyone assumes I am privy to his Filofax.

In order to get a title shot, Hansen would have to grease the right palms, say the right things, and act according to medieval NWA policy—three things "The Lariat" is genetically incapable of doing. I do know that Stan Hansen would sooner sell his wife and children to Arab rug merchants than sign his freedom away; no long-term contracts for him. His plans? As usual, he will do whatever he wants to do.

Dear Eddie,

I think Randy Savage should be in the NWA and bring some "savagism" to The Four Horsemen. Opinion?

GINO GIANFRANCESCO
Brooklyn, NY

Dear Mr. Gianfrancesco,

If I hadn't just recently seen *GoodFellas,* I would give my real opinion about someone who uses the word "savagism" so casually in a sentence. But as an even casual disrespect for a vowel-ending name from Brooklyn might instill in me the strange desire to go swimming in a steel wetsuit, I will give your query my undivided attention. The only thing that can save Randy Savage is a brief stretch in a maximum-security prison (not to imply that you'd have any knowledge of such places, Mr. Gianfrancesco). Savage—and this you should understand, sir—needs to replace his "heart of a jellyfish" with that old standard, "the eye of the tiger." Prison, home to the desperate and violent, with its "hurt or be hurt" credo, is his only salvation.

Dear Eddie,

My friends and I love the nicknames you pin on deserving wrestlers: Andre the Giant Idiot, "Pandering Twit" Barry Windham, etc. Ever consider calling Sting "Stink" now that he's teaming with Lex Loser?

ERIC THORNTON
Canyonville, OR

Dear Eric,

How about "Stincter" as in sphincter, because come fall Lex Luger will change his colors as quickly as the leaves change theirs. Which means Sting's Field of Dreams will soon turn into a Yard of Manure. □

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Funk took a lot of punishment from Lawler, but he withstood the beating well. Funk says he thrives on a lot of wild action, both in and out of the ring.

kicking his butt all over Pennsylvania Hall, so what does he do? He called out Austin Idol so they could double-team me!

PETERS: I don't think it really happened quite that way. As I recall, Eddie Gilbert left the dressing room to help you long before Idol made his appearance.

FUNK: **That's *your* version of what happened. But as everybody knows by now, Idol has stopped aiding and abetting a crumb like Lawler, and he's come over to *our* side—meaning myself and Gilbert, of course. You know, you've really got to hand it to "Hot Stuff." He's not the biggest dude in the world, but he's not afraid to go out to that ring and stand toe to toe with skunks like Lawler. Does my heart good to see young people turn out so fine these days.**

SMITH: Gilbert a fine young person? Give me a break! He's the same man who tried to run down Lawler with a car!

FUNK: **So what? As Eddie explained it to me, he was trying to get out of that parking lot as quick as he could, because he had just been suspended by that matchmaking meathead, Eddie Marlin. Is it his fault if Lawler is too slow and feeble to get out of the way of a slow-moving vehicle?**

ELLNER: Don't worry about their whining, Terry. The big news here is that you raised quite a bit of hell during the USWA title tournament. You cleanly defeated Brickhouse Brown and PWF champion Steve Keirn, then you got past fellow Texan Dick Murdoch by disqualification.

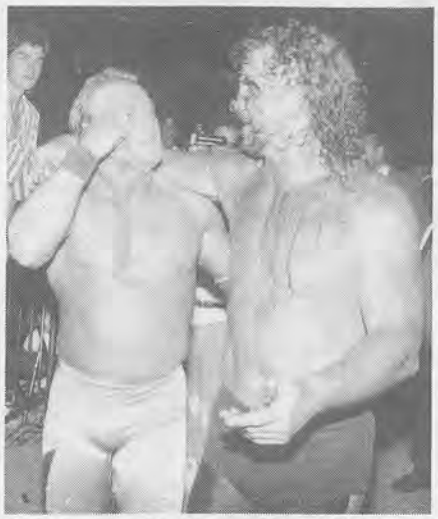
FUNK: **I should have known you'd have your head on straight, Ellner. I was as proud of my performance in that tournament as anything I've ever done in this sport. I showed the wrestling world that I'm as good as I've ever been . . .**

PETERS: . . . And as *nasty* as you've ever been. In your semifinal match against Lawler, you piledrived him several times, which is a tactic that's illegal in the USWA. Then Gilbert joined in, and Lawler was clearly in no shape to take part in his final match. And even after he miraculously beat Idol to win the title, you, Gilbert, and Idol teamed up to beat Lawler senseless.

FUNK: **Big deal! Jerry Lawler is the biggest criminal allowed to step into a professional wrestling ring today. He's nothing more than a fire-shooting, chain-wielding, simple-headed coward, and I don't think I'm quite through with him yet. Years ago, when I was wrestling him, I learned that he's got every official and referee in Memphis in his back pocket. How else can you explain an old guy like that beating out 20 other guys to regain the USWA title? It's just plain loco.**

SMITH: Many people think it's crazy for you to have come back. After all, you're the same man who has admitted many times in the past that your knees just aren't what they used to be.

FUNK: **That's true, but my heart is still as strong as it ever was. And whenever I get in the ring with a simpleton like Lawler, my blood just starts to boil. I feel the competitive juices start to flow, and I start gettin' that ol' fire back in my gut. It's the greatest feeling in the world, but it's something that you non-athletic types probably don't know the first thing about.**



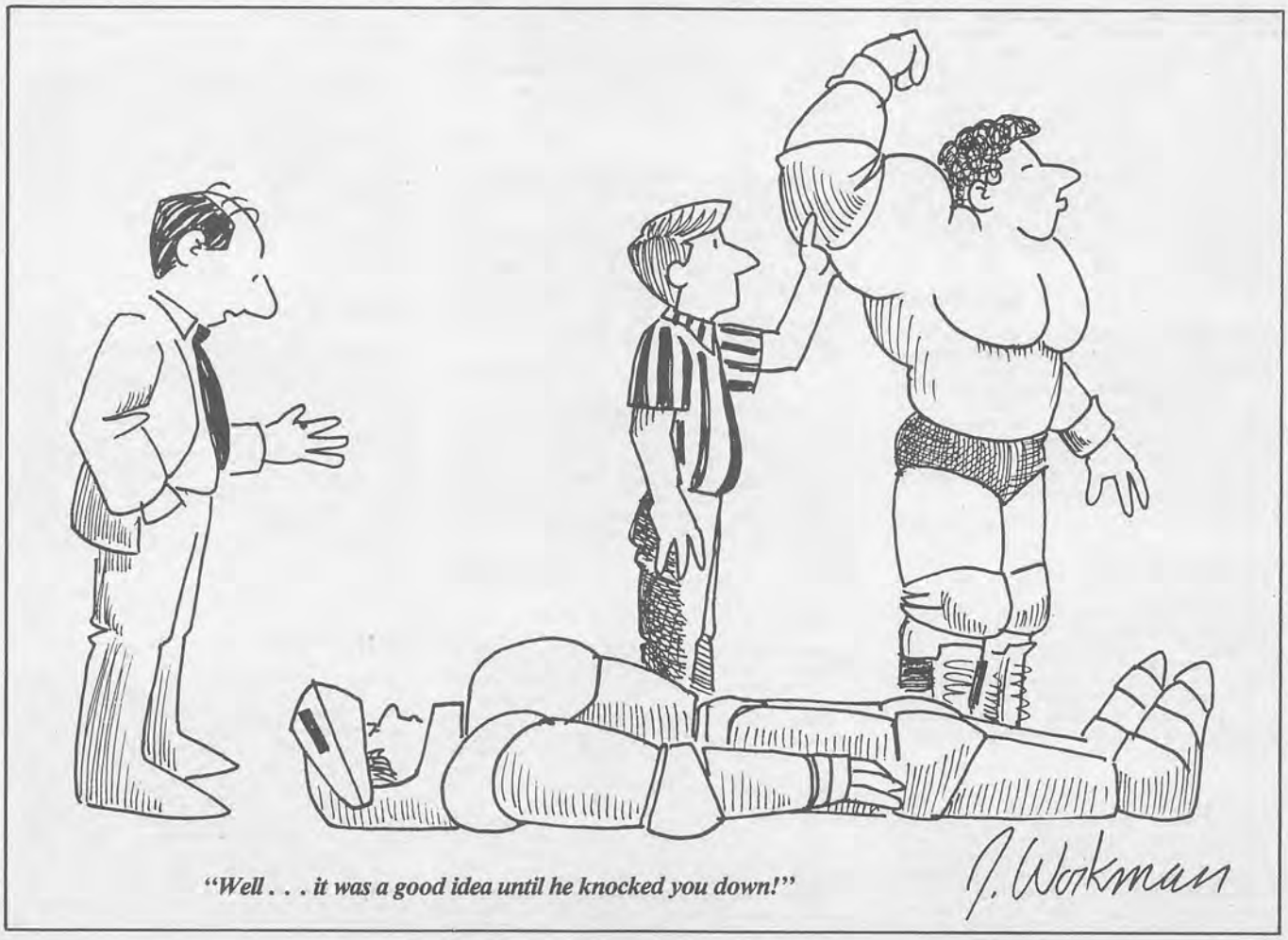
Funk has a solid ally in Eddie Gilbert, who appears to be concerned about the cuts on Funk's forehead.

ELLNER: I know what you're talking about. Since you've proven you're still as good as ever, what are your plans now? I think you should go back to the NWA and teach some people a serious lesson.

FUNK: **I've had a similar idea myself, Ellner. As you know, I lost my last match in the NWA by submission to Ric Flair. I really don't know if I can go the whole rest of my life knowing that I submitted to that bleached-blond bum. I'm still a better wrestler than he is, and I'm still twice the man that he ever was. Now that I know I can still beat the best of 'em, maybe *I* should go back and bust Flair up again.**

PETERS: So is that what you're going to do?

FUNK: **Did I say I was going back to the NWA? I didn't hear myself say that! Let me put it this way, so even you dopes can understand it: Wherever Terry Funk is needed, that's where I'll be. If Gilbert needs me, I'll be there. And if Flair or Hansen are ready for a major-league butt-whipping, I'll be there, too. I'm just waiting for my next victim, boys, and don't be surprised to see me win another title along the way. Just tell the world what I'm telling you: The Funker is back!** □



"Well . . . it was a good idea until he knocked you down!"

CALIFORNIA

RESEDA—Complete results of the first Universal Wrestling Federation television taping at the Reseda Country Club: **David Sammartino** beat **Cactus Jack** by disqualification when Jack headbutted referee **Juan Hernandez** ... **Billy Jack Haynes** forced **Tim Patterson** to submit to a full-nelson ... **Col. DeBeers** pinned **Michael Allen** ... **Steve Williams** pinned **Davey Meltzer** after an "Oklahoma stampede" powerslam ... **Paul Orndorff** used a piledriver to get the pin on **Ricky Ataki** ... **Brian Blair** and **Dan Spivey** battled to double-countout ... **Cactus Jack** pinned **Davey Meltzer** ... **Dan Spivey** pinned **Scott Cole** ... **Brian Blair** beat **Tim Patterson** ... **Paul Orndorff** defeated **The Black Knight** ... **Steve Williams** pinned **Houdini** ... **Col. DeBeers** and **Billy Jack Haynes** battled to a wild double-disqualification ... **Dan Spivey** pinned **Michael Allen** ... **Chief Jay Strongbow Jr.** pinned **Houdini** ... **David Sammartino** beat **Col DeBeers** by disqualification ... **The Black Knight** beat **Davey Meltzer** ... **Brian Blair** pinned **Ricky Ataki** ... **Billy Jack Haynes** pinned **Larry Ludden** ... **Steve Williams** and **Paul Orndorff** battled to a double-disqualification.
(09-24-90)

—Adam Roughley

SACRAMENTO—Complete results of a WWF card at the Arco Arena: **Hulk Hogan** defeated **Earthquake** by disqualification ... **Shane Douglas** pinned **Steve Lombardi** ... **Tugboat** beat **Dino Bravo** ... **Big Bossman** pinned **Haku** ... **Boris Zukhov** beat **Jerry Monti** ... **Curt Hennig** beat Intercontinental champion **Kerry Von Erich** by countout ... WWF World tag team champions **Jim Neidhart** & **Bret Hart** beat **Honky Tonk Man** & **Greg Valentine** by disqualification.
(09-23-90)

—Steve Martel

CONNECTICUT

NEW HAVEN—Complete results of a WWF card at the Coliseum: **Haku** used a small package to pin **Jim Brunzell** ... **Shane Douglas** pinned **Buddy Rose** ... **Superfly Snuka** beat **The Warlord** by countout ... **Ted DiBiase** pinned **Dusty Rhodes** ... **Jake Roberts** pinned **Akeem** in a Harlem street fight ... **The Orient Express** beat **The Bushwhackers** ... **Earthquake** pinned **Big Bossman**.
(09-30-90)

—Ivan Rothstein

MIDDLETOWN—Complete results of an ICW card at Wesleyan University: ICW champion **Vic Steamboat** pinned **The Tasmanian Devil** following a flying bodypress ... **Equalizer Zap** pinned **Chris Michaels** ... **Curly Moe** beat **The Mad Russians** in a handicap match ... **Dusty Wolfe** pinned **Equalizer Zip** ... **G.Q. Madison** & **Eric Sbracchia** beat ICW tag team champions **The Undertakers** by disqualification ... **G.Q. Madison** won a 10-man, $10,000 battle royal by simultaneously ousting **Tasmanian Devil** & **Equalizer Zap**.
(09-29-90)

—Alisha Comparte

FLORIDA

SUNRISE—Complete results of an NWA card at the Musical Theatre: **Buddy Landell** pinned **Lou Perez**, but had his feet on the ropes for leverage ... **Mike Rotundo** used a rollup to pin **Michael Hayes** ... **Kevin Sullivan** and **Tyree Pride** battled to a double-countout ... **Tommy Rich** pinned **The Blade Hunter** ... **Tracey Smothers** & **Steve Armstrong** beat **The Midnight Express** ... U.S. champion **Lex Luger** pinned **Harley Race** after a series of clotheslines ... In a no-disqualification match, **Rick Morton** beat **Butch Reed**.
(09-30-90)

—Duane Long

TAMPA—Complete results of a PWF card at the Sportatorium: Florida champion **Steve Keirn** beat **Bodyguard Mark** & **Johnny G. Lyons** in a handicap match when he tied Lyons' shoes together and pinned him ... PWF tag team champions **Sgt. Rock** & **Mark Starr** beat **Dick Slater** & **Hurricane Walker** ... **Johnny Pavers** beat **Powerhouse Parker** ... **Mighty Thor** beat **Coconut Kid** ... **Lou Perez** beat **Ron Slinker** by disqualification.
(09-27-90)

—Shannon Rose

PENSACOLA—Complete results of a WWF card here: **Jake Roberts** pinned **Akeem** (substituting for **Bad News Brown**) in a steel cage match ... **Battle Cat** used a small package to pin **Steve Lombardi** ... **Bob Bradley** pinned **Jim Powers** ... **Akio Sato** & **Pat Tanaka** beat **The Bushwhackers** ... **Ted DiBiase** pinned **Dusty Rhodes** after smashing him with the "million-dollar belt" ... **Saba Simba** pinned **"Playboy" Buddy Rose** ... **Superfly Snuka** beat **The Warlord** by disqualification.
(09-21-90)

—Donna Hubbard

LAKELAND—Complete results of a WWF card at the Civic Center: **Bob Bradley** beat **Jim Powers** ... **Battle Cat** pinned **Steve Lombardi** ... **Superfly Snuka** beat **The Warlord** by disqualification ... **Ted DiBiase** pinned **Dusty Rhodes** ... **Saba Simba** beat **Buddy Rose** ... **Pat Tanaka** & **Akio Sato** beat **The Bushwhackers** ... In a steel cage match, **Jake Roberts** pinned **Akeem**.
(09-14-90)

—Shannon Rose

GEORGIA

ALBANY—Complete results of an NWA card at the Civic Center: **Allen Iron Eagle** beat **Dr. X** ... **The Juicer** beat **El Diablo** ... **Tom Zenk** defeated **James Earl Wright** ... **The Master Blasters** defeated **Mike Rotundo** & **Tim Horner** ... **Brian Pillman** defeated **The Iron Sheik** ... **Junkyard Dog** & **El Gigante** defeated **Ric Flair** & **Arn Anderson** by disqualification ... NWA World champion **Sting** defeated **The Black Scorpion**.
(09-25-90)

—Billy Ellis

AUGUSTA—Complete results of a WWF card at the Augusta-Richmond County Civic Center: **Ted DiBiase** defeated **Dusty Rhodes** by disqualification when **Dustin Rhodes** interfered ... **Jake Roberts** pinned **Akeem** in a cage match ... **Saba Simba** pinned **Buddy Rose** ... **Jimmy Snuka** defeated **Warlord** by disqualification when Warlord shoved the referee ... **Black Bart** pinned **Pez Whatley** ... **The Orient Express** defeated **The Bushwhackers** when **Pat Tanaka** pinned **Luke Williams**.
(09-24-90)

—Ed Crawford

ATLANTA—Complete results of an NWA card at The Omni: **The Juicer** pinned **Dutch Mantel** ... **Terry Taylor** pinned **The Iron Sheik** ... **Master Blaster** & **Blade Hunter** defeated **Mike Rotundo** & **Alan Iron Eagle** when Blaster pinned Eagle following a double-shoulderblock ... **Big Van Vader** pinned **Tom Zenk** ... U.S. tag team champions **Rick** & **Scott Steiner** defeated **The State Patrol** ... U.S. champion **Lex Luger** and **Stan Hansen** brawled to a double-countout ... **Ric Flair** & **Arn Anderson** battled NWA World tag team champions **Doom** to a double-disqualification ... NWA World champion **Sting** pinned **The Black Scorpion**; after the bout, **Sid Vicious** and **Stan Hansen** ran into the ring and double-teamed Sting.
(09-23-90)

—Fred Carlson

ILLINOIS

CHICAGO—Complete results of an NWA card at UIC Pavilion: **Tim Horner** pinned **Jonnie Stewart** ... **Dr. X** beat **Allen Iron Eagle** ... **The Juicer** pinned **Dutch Mantel** ... **The Master Blaster** pinned **Tom Zenk** ... U.S. tag team champions **Rick** & **Scott Steiner** beat **Buddy Lee Parker** & **James Earl Wright** ... **Terry Taylor** pinned **The Iron Sheik** ... **Ric Flair, Arn Anderson,** & **Sid Vicious** pinned **El Gigante, Brian Pillman,** & **Junkyard Dog**.
(09-30-90)

—Fred Pommer

INDIANA

INDIANAPOLIS—Complete results of a WWF card at Market Square Arena: WWF World champion **The Ultimate Warrior** & **The Legion of Doom** beat **Demolition—Ax, Smash,** & **Crush**—when Warrior splashed and pinned Smash ... **Sgt. Slaughter** beat **Nikolai Volkoff** by submission ... **Paul Roma** pinned **Marty Jannetty** when **Hercules** interfered from ringside ... **Hacksaw Duggan** won by disqualification over **Rick Rude** when Rude shoved the referee to the mat twice ... **Dustin Rhodes** pinned **Black Bart** ... **Ron Garvin** beat **Pez Whatley** ... **Shane Douglas** pinned **Lanny Poffo**.
(09-17-90)

—Ivan Rothstein & Danny Cecil

KENTUCKY

LOUISVILLE—Complete results of a USWA card held at Louisville Gardens: **Jerry Lawler** defeated **Eddie Gilbert** by disqualification when **Doug Gilbert** interfered ... **Brian Lee** & **Don Harris** defeated USWA tag team champions **Jeff Gaylord** & **Jeff Jarrett** in a non-title match when Lee threw powder in Jarrett's face ... **Frank Morell** destroyed **Downtown Bruno** ... **Vicious Vicki** defeated **Dirty White Girl** by disqualification when **"Dirty White Boy" Tony Anthony** interfered ... **Brickhouse Brown** defeated **Doug Gilbert** by disqualification when **"Dirty White Boy" Tony Anthony** interfered ... **Bill Dundee** defeated **"Dirty White Boy" Tony Anthony** in a first-blood match ... **Eddie Marlin** defeated **Sam (Bass) Lowe** by default when Lowe

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failed to show . . . **Cowabunga** pinned **The Galaxian** . . . **Joey Maggs** defeated **Rex King**.
(09-18-90)

—Jason Alcorn

LOUISVILLE—Complete results of a WWF card at the Louisville Gardens: **Steve Lombardi** crushed **Dale Wolfe** . . . **Bob Bradley** beat **Jim Powers** . . . **The Orient Express** defeated **The Bushwhackers** . . . **Jimmy Snuka** defeated **The Warlord** by disqualification . . . **Saba Simba** pinned **"Playboy" Buddy Rose** . . . **Ted DiBiase** defeated **Dusty Rhodes** . . . **Jake Roberts** pinned **Akeem** (who was substituting for **Bad News Brown**) in a steel cage match.
(09-17-90)

—Billy Donald

MARYLAND

BALTIMORE—Results of an NWA card at the Baltimore Arena: **Allen Iron Eagle** pinned **Dr. X** . . . **The Juicer** used a small package to pin **Dutch Mantel** . . . **Terry Taylor** pinned **The Iron Sheik** . . . **The Master Blaster** beat **Tom Zenk** . . . U.S. tag team champions **Rick** & **Scott Steiner** beat **Buddy Lee Parker** & **James Earl Wright** when Scott pinned Parker following a DDT from the top rope . . . **Ric Flair, Arn Anderson,** & **Sid Vicious** beat **El Gigante, Junkyard Dog,** & **Brian Pillman** when Flair pinned Pillman following an Anderson DDT . . . NWA World champion **Sting** pinned **The Black Scorpion**.
(09-28-90)

—Rey Ney & Evan Howard

LANDOVER—Complete results of a WWF card at the Capitol Centre: **Ron Garvin** pinned **Pez Whatley** with a backslide . . . **Lanny Poffo** beat **S.D. Jones** after a backflip . . . **Dustin Rhodes** elbowsmashed and pinned **Black Bart** . . . **Hacksaw Duggan** pinned **Conquistador I** (who was substituting for **Rick Rude**) following a clothesline . . . **Sgt. Slaughter** defeated **Nikolai Volkoff** by submission . . . **The Ultimate Warrior** & **The Legion of Doom** beat **Demolition** when Warrior clotheslined and splashed **Smash** for the victory.
(09-14-90)

—Ray Ney & Evan Holland

MASSACHUSETTS

BOSTON—Complete results of a WWF card at the Boston Garden: **The Ultimate Warrior** & **The Legion of Doom** beat **Demolition** when Warrior pinned **Smash** . . . **Paul Roma** pinned **Marty Jannetty** . . . **Sgt. Slaughter** beat **Nikolai Volkoff** . . . **Hacksaw Duggan** defeated **Conquistador I** (who was substituting for **Rick Rude**) . . . **Ron Garvin** beat **Pez Whatley** . . . **Dustin Rhodes** beat **Black Bart** . . . **Lanny Poffo** pinned **S.D. Jones**.
(09-15-90)

—David Doyle

MICHIGAN

AUBURN HILLS—Complete results of a WWF card at the Palace: **Dustin Rhodes** pinned **Steve Lombardi** . . . **The Barbarian** pinned **Tito Santana** . . . **Sgt. Slaughter** beat **Nikolai Volkoff** . . . **Paul Roma** beat **Marty Jannetty** . . . **Pez Whatley** pinned **Paul Diamond** . . . **Curt Hennig** beat Intercontinental champion **Kerry Von Erich** by countout . . . **The Ultimate Warrior** & **The Legion of Doom** beat **Demolition**.
(09-29-90)

—Mike Stedno

DETROIT—Complete results of an NWA card at Cobo Arena: **Brad Armstrong** pinned **Dutch Mantel** . . . **The Master Blasters** defeated **Tim Horner** & **Mike Rotundo** . . . **The Midnight Express** defeated **Tom Zenk** & **Brian Pillman** . . . U.S. tag team champions **Rick** & **Scott Steiner** defeated **The Samoan Swat Team** when Rick pinned **Fatu** following the "Frankensteiner" . . . **Stan Hansen** pinned **Tommy Rich** following a lariat . . . **Junkyard Dog** pinned **Arn Anderson** in eight seconds following a headbutt . . . U.S. champion **Lex Luger** defeated **Sid Vicious** by countout . . . NWA World champion **Sting** pinned **Ric Flair** with a small package.
(09-15-90)

—Mike Finley

MINNESOTA

MINNEAPOLIS—Results from a PWA card at Loring Park to benefit the homeless: **Ricky Rice** and **Jerry Lynn** battled to a double-disqualification . . . **The Lightning Kid, Johnny Love,** & **Matt Derringer** defeated **Tommy Ferrara, Red Tyler,** & **Rhett Royal** when Lightning Kid pinned Royal . . . **Jeff Warner** needed only a minute to pin **The Masked Maniac** . . . **The Grim Reaper, The Punisher,** & **Ravishing Ronnie** beat **Tony DeNucci, Kevin Kastelle,** & **Bo James** when Grim Reaper pinned James . . . **Charlie Norris** drew with **Tommy Jammer** . . . **Derrick Dukes** & **Larry Cameron** defeated **Randy Gust** & **Tony DeNucci** when Cameron pinned DeNucci.
(09-16-90)

—Joe Rose

MISSISSIPPI

RIPLEY—Complete results of a USWA card at Ripley High School: **Bodacious Bryan** beat **Twilight Zone Quasar** . . . **Don Bass** defeated **Brian Kelly** . . . **Brickhouse Brown** pinned **Don Bass** . . . **Vicious Vicki** beat **Dirty White Girl** by disqualification when **"Dirty White Boy" Tony Anthony** interfered . . . **Jerry Lawler** pinned **"Dirty White Boy" Tony Anthony**.
(09-22-90)

—Virginia Hamblin

NEW YORK

UNIONDALE—Complete results of a WWF card held at the Nassau Coliseum: **The Bushwhackers** & **Hacksaw Duggan** beat **The Orient Express** & **Mr. Fuji** when Duggan pinned Fuji . . . **Jake Roberts** beat **Akeem** in a Harlem street fight . . . **Earthquake** pinned **Big Bossman** . . . **Rick Rude** pinned **Superfly Snuka** . . . **Shane Douglas** pinned **Buddy Rose** . . . **The Warlord** pinned **Jim Brunzell** . . . **Haku** pinned **Mike Sharpe**.
(09-28-90)

—Ivan Rothstein

NEW YORK—Complete results of a WWF card at Madison Square Garden: WWF World champion **The Ultimate Warrior** & **The Legion of Doom** defeated **Demolition** when Warrior pinned **Smash** . . . **Sgt. Slaughter** forced **Nikolai Volkoff** to submit to the camel clutch . . . **Paul Roma** defeated **Marty Jannetty** . . . **Hacksaw Duggan** defeated **Rick Rude** by disqualification after Rude hit the referee . . . **The Barbarian** pinned **Tito Santana** . . . **Dustin Rhodes** pinned **Paul Diamond** . . . **Ronnie Garvin** defeated **Bob Bradley**.
(09-21-90)

—Burton Crane

ROCHESTER—Complete results of a WWF card at the War Memorial Auditorium: **Koko B. Ware** pinned **Boris Zukhov** after a dropkick from the top turnbuckle . . . **Tugboat** splashed and pinned **Dino Bravo** . . . **The Barbarian** reversed a bodyslam and pinned **Tito Santana** . . . **Earthquake** pinned **Big Bossman** with some help from **Dino Bravo** . . . **Jim Brunzell** used a dropkick to knock **Paul Diamond** into a pinning position . . . Intercontinental champion **Kerry Von Erich** battled **Curt Hennig** to a double-countout . . . **Jim Neidhart** & **Bret Hart** retained their WWF World tag team belts when **Greg Valentine** & **Honky Tonk Man** were disqualified after Honky Tonk smashed Hart with a guitar.
(09-17-90)

—Michael Yates & Dave LaPlaca

NORTH CAROLINA

RALEIGH—Complete results of an NWA card here: **Wendell Cooley** pinned **Italian Stallion** . . . **Brad Armstrong** pinned **Buddy Landell** . . . **Norman** pinned **Barry Horowitz** . . . U.S. tag team champions **Rick** & **Scott Steiner** defeated **The State Patrol** . . . **Mike Rotundo** pinned **The Iron Sheik** . . . **The Freebirds** defeated **The Midnight Express** when **Jim Garvin** pinned **Stan Lane** . . . U.S. champion **Lex Luger** pinned **Sid Vicious**.
(09-20-90)

—Audrey Heber

OHIO

RICHFIELD—Complete results of a WWF card at the Richfield Coliseum: **The Legion of Doom** & **The Ultimate Warrior** beat **Demolition—Ax, Smash,** & **Crush**—when Warrior pinned Smash . . . **Dustin Rhodes** pinned **Paul Diamond** . . . **Ron Garvin** beat **Bob Bradley** . . . **Sgt. Slaughter** made **Nikolai Volkoff** submit to a camel clutch . . . **Hacksaw Duggan** beat **Rick Rude** by disqualificatiion when Rude punched the referee.
(09-22-90)

—Ivan Rothstien

CANTON—Complete results of an NWA card at the Civic Center: NWA World champion **Sting** beat **Ric Flair** with an inside cradle . . . **Sid Vicious** & **Arn Anderson** beat **Junkyard Dog** & **Brad Armstrong** when Sid legdropped Armstrong and Anderson pinned him . . . U.S. tag team champions **Rick** & **Scott Steiner** beat **The Samoan Swat Team** by disqualification when **Samoan Savage** threw Scott over the top rope . . . **The Midnight Express** beat **Brian Pillman** & **Tom Zenk** when Eaton hit Zenk with an axhandle and Eaton pinned him . . . **Jackie Fulton** pinned **Dutch Mantel** with a small package . . . **The Master Blasters** beat **Mike Rotundo** & **Tim Horner** when **Iron** pinned Horner after a flying shoulderblock.
(09-12-90)

—Jeff Gorman

OREGON

PORTLAND—Complete results of a PNW card at the Sports Arena here: **Rip** and **Larry Oliver** defeated **Al Madril** & **Ricky Santana** to capture the held-up PNW tag team title . . . **The Grappler** beat **John Rambo** by disqualification when **Scotty the Body** interfered . . . **Scotty the Body** pinned **Doug Masters** . . . In a match in which a kendo stick was placed atop a pole, **Scott Norton** beat **The Equalizer** by disqualification . . . **Steve Sawyer** beat **Brad Anderson** by disqualification.
(09-29-90)

—Kenn Jones

PORTLAND—Complete results of a PNW card at the Sports Arena: **Scott Norton** used an elbowdrop to pin **Moondog Moretti** . . . **Brad Anderson** made his PNW debut and used a belly-to-belly suplex to beat **Steve Sawyer** . . . **Steve Doll** used a sleeperhold to beat **Doug Masters**. After the match, **Brad Anderson** ran in and attacked Doll with a noose, tossing him over the top rope and choking him. **Scott Norton, John Rambo,** and several other wrestlers ran in and saved Doll, who had to be helped back to the dressing room . . . **John Rambo** beat **The Equalizer** by disqualification when Equalizer threw him over the top rope . . . **Larry** & **Rip Oliver** beat PNW tag team champions **Ricky Santana** & **Al Madril** in a non-title match . . . **Scotty the Body** beat **The Grappler** in an anything-goes, no-disqualification lumberjack match.
(09-15-90)

—Kenn Jones

PENNSYLVANIA

PHILADELPHIA—Results of an NWA card at the Civic Center: **Allen Iron Eagle** pinned **Dr. X** . . .

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(09-29-90)

—Alan Raskin

PITTSBURGH—Complete results of a WWF card at the Civic Arena: **Ted DiBiase** pinned **Dusty Rhodes** ... **Shane Douglas** used a dropkick followed by a sunset flip to pin **Buddy Rose** ... **Superfly Snuka** beat **The Warlord** by countout ... In a Harlem street fight, **Jake Roberts** pinned **Akeem** with a rollup ... **Pat Tanaka & Akio Sato** beat **The Bushwhackers** when **Mr. Fuji** hit **Butch Miller** with a cane, allowing Tanaka to score the pinfall ... **Haku** used a thrust-kick and a small package to pin **Jim Brunzell** ... **Big Bossman** defeated **Earthquake** by disqualification when **Jimmy Hart** interfered.
(09-28-90)

—John Lanigan

PHILADELPHIA—Complete results of "Autumn Armageddon '90," the Tri-State Wrestling Association's card at the Philadelphia Civic Center: **Jerry Lawler** defeated **Terry Funk** in wild and bloody battle ... **Eddie Gilbert** pinned **Cactus Jack** following his "hotshot" (a slingshot-suplex) ... **Adrian Street**, with an assist from **Miss Linda**, beat **Jimmy Valiant** ... **D.C. Drake** pinned **Rockin' Rebel** to capture the vacant Tri-State heavyweight title after **Woman** (who was managing Drake for the bout) paid **Baby Doll** (who managed Rebel for the bout) to leave ringside, then tossed powder into Rebel's face ... **Austin Idol & Al Perez** battled **Kevin Von Erich & Chris Adams** to a double-countout ... **Mr. Sandman** pinned **J.T. Smith** after special referee **Ron Shaw** clotheslined Smith ... In a hair vs. hair match, **Tony Stetson** pinned **Johnny Hot Body**. After the decision, Stetson was attacked by Hot Body and **C.N. Red** and DDT'd on a chair, after which they shaved most of Stetson's hair before several wrestlers ran in and chased Hot Body and Red to the dressing room ... **Abdullah the Butcher** savaged and bloodied **Cactus Jack** (who was substituting for **Manny Fernandez**). About five minutes into the match, Fernandez appeared and took over the battle. The two men brawled all over the arena and back to the dressing room, earning themselves a double-disqualification ... **Rockin' Rebel** won a 20-man reverse steel cage battle royal (the match began with all wrestlers on the arena floor, and the winner was to be the man who climbed over the cage and into the ring first).
(09-15-90)

—Richard Hoscheid, Larry Hoscheid, & John Chambers

TENNESSEE

MARYVILLE—Complete results of an All-Star Wrestling card at the National Guard Armory: **Deke Rivers** beat **The Storm Trooper** ... **Thad Clark** defeated **Chick White** ... **The Gladiator** pinned **Doug Vines** ... **Izzy Slapowitz** beat **Rock Hart** ... All-Star tag team champions **Chris Powers & Joe Cazana** beat **Johnny Meadows & Thad Clark** by disqualification ... All-Star champion **Jimmy Golden** pinned **Joe Cazana**.
(09-29-90)

—Bill Needham

MEMPHIS—Complete results of a USWA card at Catholic High School: **Joey Maggs** pinned **Twilight Zone Quasar** ... **Cowabunga** pinned **Twilight Zone Nebula** ... **Bill Dundee** defeated **Doug Gilbert** by disqualification ... **"Dirty White Boy" Tony Anthony** pinned **Brickhouse Brown** ... **Jeff Jarrett, Jeff Gaylord, & Danny Davis** defeated **Brian Lee, Don Harris, & Downtown Bruno** when Davis pinned Bruno ... In a coal miner's glove match, **Jerry Lawler** beat **Eddie Gilbert** ... In a 10-man elimination match, **Jerry Lawler, Bill Dundee, Jeff Jarrett, Brickhouse Brown, & Jeff Gaylord** defeated **Eddie & Doug Gilbert, Brian Lee, Don Harris, & "Dirty White Boy" Tony Anthony** when Brown pinned Anthony after hitting him with the chain Doug Gilbert had thrown into the ring to the "Dirty White Boy."
(09-27-90)

—Mark Mitchell

MEMPHIS—Complete results of a USWA card televised live on WMC: USWA tag team champions **Jeff Gaylord & Jeff Jarrett** defeated **Downtown Bruno & The New York Brawler** when **Brian Lee** and **Don Harris** interfered ... **Brickhouse Brown** beat **Doug Gilbert** ... **Dan Davis** pinned **Twilight Zone Nebula** ... **Joey Maggs** pinned **Twilight Zone Quasar** ... **Eddie Gilbert** pinned **Ken Raper**.
(09-22-90)

—Virginia Hamblin

TEXAS

DALLAS—Complete results of a Texas Wrestling Federation card at the Metroplex: **Tim Tall Tree & The American Ninja** beat **Midnight Cowboy & Great Bubba** ... **Matt Borne & The California Stud** wrestled to a time-limit draw ... **Al Perez** beat **Iceman Parsons** by disqualification ... **The Angel of Death** and **Terrance M. Garvin** battled to a double-disqualification ... **Eric Embry** beat **Billy Travis**.
(09-30-90)

—Joyce Dillon

DALLAS—Complete results of a World Class Championship Wrestling card at the Sportatorium: **Randy Ricci & Tim Fowler** wrestled to a 20-minute draw against **Mike Davis & Kevin Dillinger** ... **Toni Adams** pinned **Percy Pringle** ... **Billy Travis** used a rollup to pin **Gary Young** ... In a match where falls counted anywhere in the building, **Brickhouse Brown** beat **Iceman Parsons** by disqualification when Parsons hit referee **Tony Falk** ... **Steve Austin & California Stud** beat **Chris Adams & Steve Dane** ... In a no-disqualification match, **Kevin Von Erich** beat **John Tatum** by countout.
(09-28-90)

—Joyce Dillon

HOUSTON—Complete results of an NWA card at the Sam Houston Coliseum: **Hector Guerrero** beat **Tom Prichard** ... **Tracey Smothers & Steve Armstrong** beat **Michael Hayes & Jim Garvin** ... **Lou Perez** pinned **Barry Horowitz** ... **Norman** pinned **The Iron Sheik** ... LPWA champion **Susan Sexton** beat **Bambi** ... **El Gigante** beat **Dr. X** ... **Terry Taylor & Rick Morton** beat **Butch Reed & Buddy Landell** ... NWA World champion **Sting** beat **The Black Scorpion**.
(09-16-90)

—Jo Ellen Baggs

VIRGINIA

HAMPTON—Complete results of an NWA card at the Coliseum: **The Juicer** pinned **Dutch Mantel** ... **The Iron Shiek** beat **Allen Iron Eagle** ... **The Master Blaster & The Blade Hunter** defeated **Tim Horner & Mike Rotundo** ... U.S. champion **Lex Luger** beat **Sid Vicious** by countout ... **Ric Flair, Arn Anderson, & Harley Race** beat **El Gigante, Brian Pillman, & Junkyard Dog** when Anderson DDT'd Pillman and set up the pin for Flair ... NWA World champion **Sting** pinned **The Black Scorpion**.
(09-27-90)

—Eddie Cheslock & Brian J. Parsons

WISCONSIN

MILWAUKEE—Complete results of a WWF card at the Bradley Center: **Dustin Rhodes** pinned **Steve Lombardi** following a flying elbowsmash ... **Pez Whatley** pinned **Paul Diamond** ... **The Barbarian** pinned **Tito Santana** ... **Paul Roma** pinned **Marty Jannetty** with an assist from **Hercules** ... **Curt Hennig** beat Intercontinental champion **Kerry Von Erich** by countout ... **Sgt. Slaughter** pinned **Nikolai Volkoff** ... WWF World champion **The Ultimate Warrior & The Legion of Doom** beat **Demolition** when Warrior pinned **Smash**.
(09-28-90)

—Andy Abrahamson

CANADA

TORONTO, ONTARIO—Complete results of a WWF card at Maple Leaf Gardens: **Earthquake** beat **Big Bossman** with some help from **Jimmy Hart** and **Dino Bravo**, who distracted the referee ... **Curt Hennig** beat Intercontinental champion **Kerry Von Erich** by countout: Kerry tornado-punched Hennig out of the ring, followed him, and was tossed into the steel ringpost by "Mr. Perfect," who rolled into the ring as Kerry failed to beat the 10-count ... **Jim Neidhart & Bret Hart** beat **Greg Valentine & Honky Tonk Man** by disqualification after Valentine hit referee **Jim Korderaus** ... **Tugboat** splashed and pinned **Dino Bravo** ... **The Barbarian** beat **Tito Santana** after a reverse-body-press ... **Koko B. Ware** used a spectacular dropkick off the ropes to beat **Boris Zukhov** ... **Jim Brunzell** pinned **Paul Diamond** after a dropkick.
(09-16-90)

—Steve Argintaru

ENGLAND

PLYMOUTH—Complete results of an All-Star card held at Guild Hall here: **Kashmir Singh** pinned **Vic Powers** ... **Julie Starr** defeated **Miss Lena** by disqualification ... **Pat "Bomber" Roach** defeated **Giant Haystacks** by disqualification ... **Danny "Boy" Collins** defeated **Skull Murphy** in a best-of-three-falls match.
(09-18-90)

—Ryan Dainty

YARMOUTH—Complete results of a card held at the Hippodrome Circus: **Johnny Kidd** pinned **Blondie Barrett** ... **Mighty Chang** demolished **"Big" John Prayter** ... **Busty Keegan** defeated **"Miss London" Julia Prayter** by disqualification ... British heavy-middleweight champion **Danny Boy Collins** defeated **Richie Brooks** with a piledriver.
(09-09-90)

—John Bultitude

JAPAN

TOKUSHIMA—Complete results of a New Japan card held at the Civic Center: **Riki Choshu, The Great Muta, & Masa Chono** defeated **Big Van Vader, Kokina Maximus, & Samu** ... **Mr. Saito & Kengo Kimura** defeated **Steve Williams & Masanobu Kurusu** ... **Shinya Hashimoto** pinned **Brad Rheingans** ... **Jushin "Thunder" Riger, Shiro Koshinaka, & Kuniaki Kobayashi** defeated **Tatsutoshi Goto, Hiro Saito, & Norio Honaga** ... **Super Strong Machine & Pegasus Kid** defeated **Hiroshi Hase & Kensuke Sasaki** ... **Osamu Kido** beat **Apollo Sugawara** by submission ... **Kantaro Hoshino** pinned **Osamu Matsuda** ... **Takayuki Iizuka** beat **The Black Cat** by submission.
(09-08-90)

—Kazuya Okamoto

OSAKA—Complete results of a New Japan card held at the Osaka Prefecture Gym: **The Great Muta** pinned **Samurai Shiro** ... **Big Van Vader** beat **Masa Chono** with a powerslam and pin ... **Riki Choshu** beat **Masanobu Kurusu** ... **Shinya Hashimoto & Mr. Satio** beat **Kokina Maximus & Samu** ... **Hiro Saito & Pegasas Kid** defeated **Jushin "Thunder" Riger & Takayuki Iizuka** ... **Brad Rheingans** defeated **Osamu Kido** ... **Hiroshi Hase & Kensuke Sasaki** beat **Strong Machine & Animal Hamaguchi** ... **Kengo Kimura** beat **Tatsutoshi Goto** ... **The Black Cat** pinned **Osamu Matsuda**.
(09-07-90)

—Koichi Yoshizawa

MEXICO

MEXICO CITY—Complete results of a card at Arena Coliseo here: **Volcano & Tony Arce** beat **Pantera & Felino** ... **Fyerza Guerrera, Pierroth Jr. & Jacques Amate** beat **Octagon, Volador, & Cithoro Mendoza** ... **Sheik, Abdull, & Pirata Morgan** beat **Super Astro, Mogur, & Eddie Guerrero** ... **Emilo Charles Jr., Dandy, & El Satanico** beat **Javier Cruz, Kung Fu, & Atlantis** ... **Cien Caras, Mascara Quno 2000, & Universo** beat **Conan, Rayde Jalisco Jr., & Sangre Chicana**.
(09-28-90)

—Reuben Montanegro

MEXICO CITY—Complete results of a card here: **Aguilita Solitaria, Masquerida Sagrada, & Pequino Cobarde** beat **Espectrito, Piratita Morgan, & M.S.½** ... **Los Brazos** battled to a double-countout with **Volandor, Angel Azteca, & Super Astro** in the third fall of a best-of-three-falls match ... **Mike Golden, Abdul, & The Sheik** beat **Solo-**

mon Grundy, Dandy, & El Satanico in the third fall of a best-of-three-falls contest when Abdul pinned Dandy ... **El Hijo Del Santo, Lizmark,** & **Ringo Mendoza** beat **Fabuloso Blondie, Perro Aguayo,** & **Incredible Konan** ... **Atlantis** beat **Emilio Charles Jr.** ... In a mask vs. mask bout, **Rayo de Jalisco** defeated **Cien Caras** in the third fall of a best-of-three-falls bout with a small package. (09-21-90)

—Reuben Martinez

JUAREZ—Complete results of a card held at the Juarez Municipal Gym: **Tinieblas** used a fork to bloody and defeat **Ariel "The Skull" Romero** ... **Rocky Star** & **Sensational Samurai** used their high-flying expertise to defeat **The Nazi** & **The Beast** ... **Crazy Boy 32** & **El Cobarde** received a standing ovation after defeating **El Medic** & **El Huichol** ... **Dorado Hernandez** upended **El Chacal** ... **Canelo Villela** defeated **Zorro** & **Latigo** in a handicap match. (09-09-90)

—Art Amarol

THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

MICHIGAN

DETROIT—Complete results of a card held at Cobo Hall: **Hell's Angel** defeated **Bruce Swayze** ... **Tony Marino** defeated **Don Kent** ... **Hans Schmidt** defeated **Mike Loren** ... **Ben Justice** beat **Yoshino Sato** ... **Mitsu Arakawa** downed **The Stomper** ... **Tony Parisi** defeated **The Zebra Kid** by disqualification ... **Luis Martinez** beat **Al Costello** ... **Bulldog Brower** downed **Bull Ortega** by countout ... **Fred Curry** defeated **Tim Brooks** ... **Dominic DeNucci** downed **Waldo Von Erich** ... **Curtis Iaukea** defeated **Pete Sanchez** ... **Bull Curry** beat **Eric The Red** ... **Igor** and **Dingo The Sundowner** battled to a draw ... **The Sheik** defeated **Chief White Owl** ... **Bobo Brazil** defeated **Chris Tolos** by disqualification. (12-10-71)

—Wrestling Information Bulletin

NEW JERSEY

EAST RUTHERFORD—Complete results of a combined NWA/AWA card in the Byrne Meadowlands Arena: **Ron Bass** defeated **J.J. Dillon** ... **Little Tokyo** defeated **Cowboy Lang** ... **Sherri Martel** defeated **Debbie Combs** ... **Carlos Colon** defeated **Konga The Barbarian** ... **Jake Roberts** defeated **Paul Ellering** by disqualification ... **The Rock 'n' Roll Express** defeated **Bill** & **Scott Irwin** ... **Sgt. Slaughter** defeated **Boris Zukhov** & **Chris Markoff** in a handicap bout ... **Magnum T.A.** defeated **Tully Blanchard** ... NWA World champion **Ric Flair** defeated **Dusty Rhodes** by disqualification ... **The Road Warriors** downed **Ivan Koloff** & **Krusher Khrushchev** by disqualification ... **Stan Hansen** defeated **Rick Martel** to capture the AWA World heavyweight title. (12-29-85)

—Pro Wrestling Illustrated

NEW YORK

NEW YORK—Complete results of a WWWF card at Madison Square Garden: WWWF champion **Bruno Sammartino** defeated **Dr. Jerry Graham** ... **Klondike Bill** defeated **Tim Woods** ... **Dory Dixon** defeated **Boris Malenko** ... **Vittorio Apollo** beat **Magnificent Maurice** ... **Gorilla Monsoon** & **Bobo Brazil** battled **Killer Kowalski** & **Hans "The Great" Mortier** to a draw ... **Miguel Perez** & **Pedro Morales** defeated **Brute Bernard** & **Skull Murphy** ... **Chris** & **John Tolos** downed **The Fabulous Kangaroos—Al Costello** & **Roy Heffernan**—in a best-of-three-falls match. (12-16-63)

—New York Times

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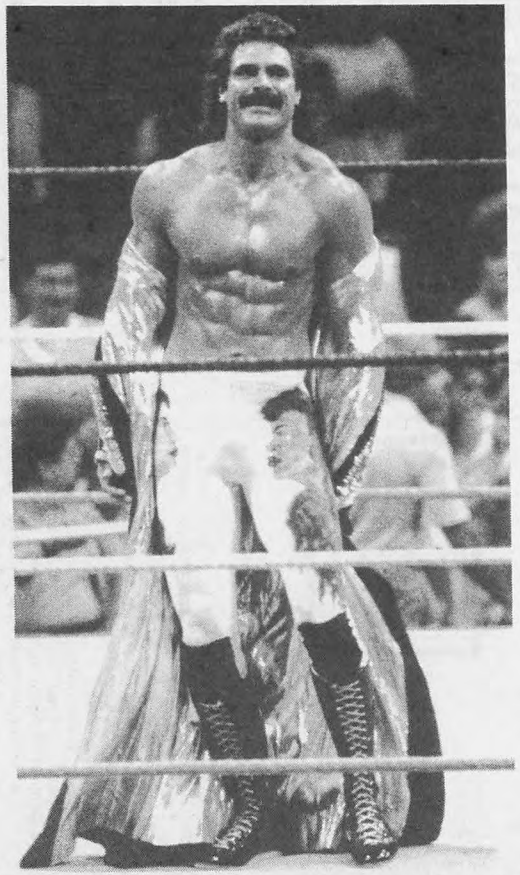
"RAVISHING" RICK RUDE SUSPENDED FROM THE WWF!

Report Tunney Throws Him Out For Vile Remarks

By BOB SMITH

STANFORD, CT—"Ravishing" Rick Rude, who has battled The Ultimate Warrior for the WWF World championship throughout most of the year, has according to sources been suspended indefinitely by the WWF. WWF President Jack Tunney was expected to make an announcement that Rude was being punished for remarks he made concerning Big Bossman's mother during various WWF TV shows.



Rick Rude has reportedly been suspended from the WWF for his nasty remarks about Big Bossman's mother.

"Tunney has had more than enough of Rude and his manager, Bobby Heenan, polluting the airwaves," said a source close to the WWF. "Several times, Rude's comments about Big Bossman's mother were laced with such bad language that they had to be 'bleeped' out of the soundtrack to the programs. Tunney feels that the WWF is not the place to be launching obscene personal tirades on the relatives of wrestlers, so he did what he believed he had to do. Rude probably won't be seen in a WWF ring again."

Tunney's decision to suspend Rude comes as a shock. Rude was slated to wrestle in the Survivor Series on a team that also included Dino Bravo, Earthquake, and The Barbarian.

According to the source, Heenan may be the next man to go.

"Actually, Heenan's comments about Bossman's mother have been even worse than Rude's," said the source. "Every week on *Prime Time Wrestling,* Heenan laces into that woman from the beginning of the program to the end. Since Tunney's in a censoring mood, it wouldn't surprise me at all to see Heenan follow Rude right out of the federation."

World Class Mulls Title Tourney

Kevin Von Erich is a favorite to win the revived World Class title, which he held in 1986 and 1987.

By BILL APTER

DALLAS—The World Class Wrestling Association, which was revived in mid-September after parting with the USWA, is considering a method by which the World Class title will be filled.

"The World Class title was once one of the most revered championships in the sport, and I think it could be again," said Kevin Von Erich, who held the title in 1986 and 1987.

Von Erich would be among the favorites in any kind of tournament that would name a new champion. Also expected to enter the tournament are: Mike Davis, Billy Travis, John Tatum, Iceman Parsons, Skip Young, Chris Adams, Steve Austin, Steve Dane, and Rod Price.

Officials say they have discussed various options and that an announcement is forthcoming.

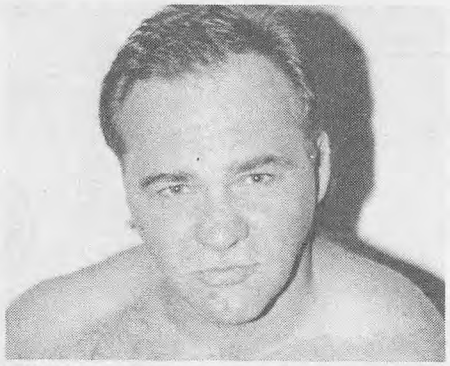
Zbyszko Negotiating With PNW

By CRAIG PETERS

PORTLAND, OR—Claiming that he's tired of defending his AWA World title against the same opponents, Larry Zbyszko is negotiating with officials in the Pacific Northwest about competing in Oregon.

"All the time, it's the same thing," complained Zbyszko, who has held the belt since regaining it from Mr. Saito on April 8 in St. Paul, Minnesota. "If it's not Nikita Koloff, it's The Trooper. If it isn't The Trooper, it's Brad Rheingans. I need new opponents and challenges to stay sharp. There are some pretty fine young wrestlers up in Portland, and I can beat them all."

One of the young wrestlers who competes in the PNW is powerful Scott Norton, who also wrestles in the AWA. Norton has yet to receive a title opportunity at Zbyszko, and he's already petitioned PNW matchmaker Don Owen for a chance at the "Living Legend."



AWA World champion Larry Zbyszko is eager to take on some new competition.

"Larry has been ducking me, but his luck is about to run out," said Norton, a former superheavyweight arm-wrestling champion. "I've been real successful in the PNW and the AWA, so I feel I should get the shot if Zbyszko comes in here. With the fans behind me, I know I could beat him."

Sting Wants Scorpion In A Cage

By ANDY RODRIGUEZ

ATLANTA—Tired of outside interference in his matches against The Black Scorpion, NWA World champion Sting has petitioned NWA officials for a chance to meet the mysterious masked man in a steel cage bout.

"It's the only way to end this situation once and for all," said Sting. "I've beat a bunch of guys who are claiming to be the Scorpion, but I don't think I've met the *real* one yet. Once, I tried to take the mask off the guy, but Sid Vicious used the occasion to attack me from behind. Just beating the Scorpion isn't good enough anymore. I want to expose his face to the world and rid the NWA of this moron once and for all."

The Black Scorpion, who rarely speaks, has claimed that he knew Sting back in 1986, and had run-ins with him in California and Tulsa, Oklahoma. When the Scorpion learned of Sting's request to NWA officials, he broke his silence and made a request of his own.

"A steel cage match would be perfect—at Starrcade '90," whispered the harsh-voiced Scorpion. "The biggest NWA card of the year would be the perfect place to humiliate this man."

AROUND THE GLOBE

EL TOREO, MEXICO

Kokina Maximus has surfaced here, and is fast becoming the most hated man in Mexico. He teamed with Brazo de Oro and Brazo de Plata to defeat Dos Caras, Villano III and Villano IV on September 23 here. After the match, Kokina continued to beat on the fan favorites. And, when El Canek ran from the dressing room to try to end the brawl, Kokina fought with him as well. "These Lucha Libre guys are garbage!" Kokina screamed. "I'll take over all of Mexican wrestling before I'm finished."

TOKYO, JAPAN

Dan Kroffat and Doug Furnas, one of the most popular tag teams in the Orient, will reunite for the tournament to fill the vacant All-Asian tag team title. The tourney will run from November 25 through December 7, with finals to be held at Budokan Hall here. "We've held those belts before, and we can do it again," said Furnas. "As long as Dan and I can stay healthy, I see no reason why we can't beat every team in the tourney."

GRAZ, AUSTRIA

Otto Wanz, who has announced his retirement often during the past year, insists that he will engage in his final match on December 22 here. "This time I mean it," said the 360-pound Wanz, a former AWA and Catch Wrestling Association champion. "I know I've said that I was going to quit many times before, but now it is truly time. It's been a great career, but it's time to rest."

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WHAT DOES 1991 HOLD IN STORE FOR YOU?

STING: *"I'll tell ya, dude, 1990 was such a great year, and it's not over yet, but I'm sure all the little Stingers and me'll do our best to make 1991 the best year yet for the NWA and for all of wrestling!"*

VIC STEAMBOAT: *"I expect to be ICW champion for the entire year, then go on into 1992 as champ and eventually hold the title for longer than Tony Atlas did."*

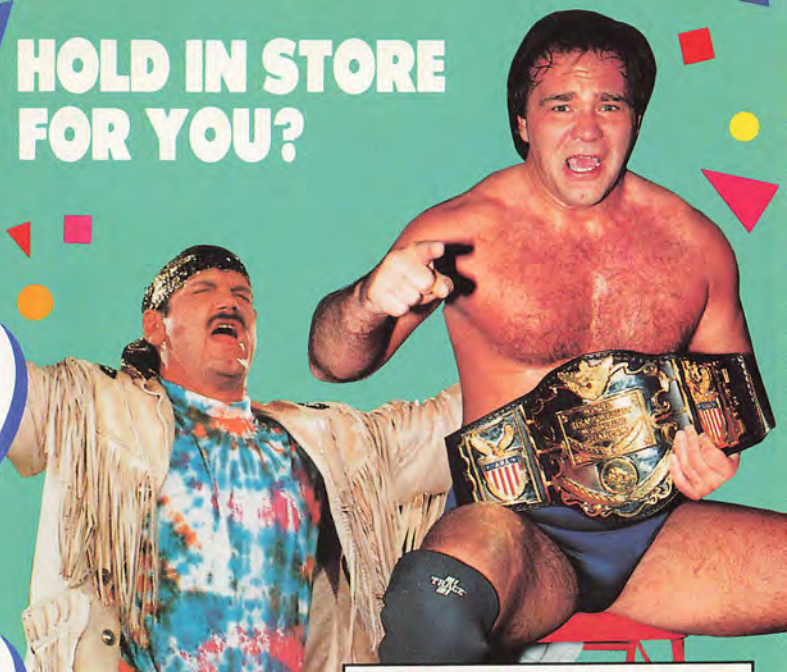
RIC FLAIR: *"NWA World title number seven, plain and simple. You may not like it, but learn to love it. The 'Nature Boy' is gonna be the man again. **Whooo!**"*

BILLY JACK HAYNES: *"Whether it's in the PNW, the UWF, or somewhere on the independent scene, 1991 is gonna be the year yours truly makes the biggest comeback of his career."*

TONI ADAMS: *"I think we'll see Steve Austin and Jeannie run out of the sport for good, and Chris will finally be able to turn his attention to winning and defending a title."*

OLE ANDERSON: *"When The Four Horsemen unleash our plans for the coming year, it's gonna make Al Bundy's life on **Married . . . With Children** look like paradise compared with how some of these namby-pamby fan favorites around here are gonna feel."*

LOU ALBANO: *"What am I, some kind of mind reader, daddy? You know the Captain better than that—I go with the flow and come out on top no matter what I do, and 1991 will be no different . . . or 1992 after that . . . or 1993 . . . or . . ."*

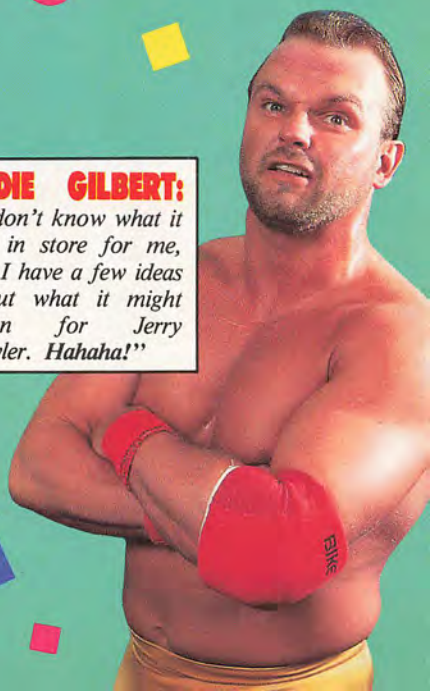


LARRY ZBYSZKO: *"There's gonna be some big changes afoot for the AWA, very big. I can't talk about them all yet, but keep an eye on things. You won't believe it when it happens!"*

JESSE VENTURA: *"If there's justice in this world, my first Oscar."*

MISSY HYATT: *"Oh, I don't know. Maybe I'll go into managing. Maybe I'll find someone worthy enough to deserve my valet services. Maybe I'll keep on being the best commentator in the sport."*

EDDIE GILBERT: *"I don't know what it has in store for me, but I have a few ideas about what it might mean for Jerry Lawler. **Hahaha!**"*



JIM CORNETTE: *"More money from mama, more recognition as the greatest manager in the sport, and the NWA World tag team belts for 'Beautiful' Bobby and 'Sweet' Stan."*

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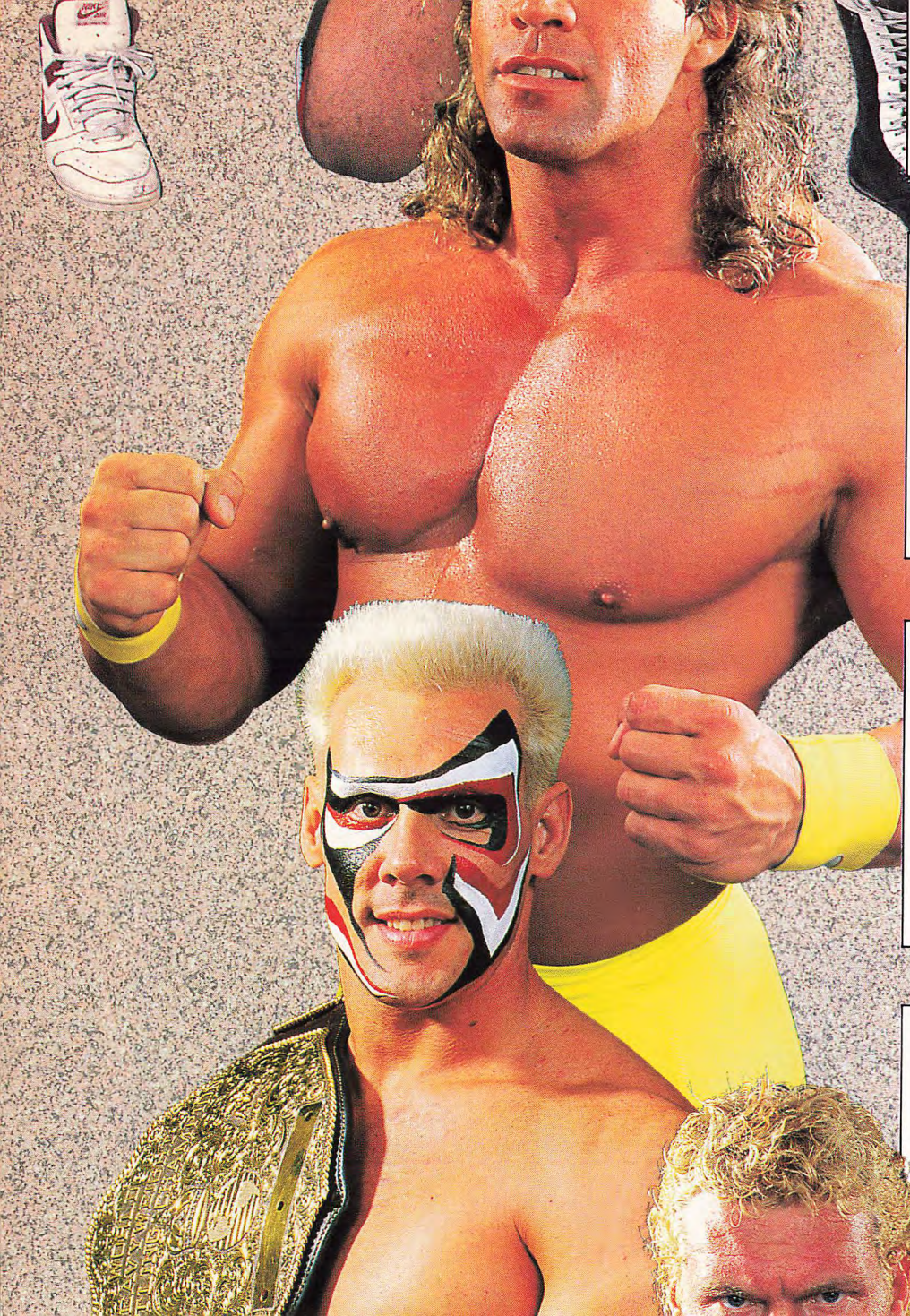

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